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CALL FOR MINIMUM TO COVER PRODUCTION COSTS

ACADIA FARMERS WANT IMMEDIATE ACTION RE WHEAT

Press Federal Government to Take Steps to Prevent Price Disaster

QUICK ACTION URGED

Convention Disapproves Turgeon Report—Declares Compulsory Grain Board Vital Need

HANNA, Alta.—Declaring that "the present level of wheat futures indicates very clearly that if no action is taken by the Federal Government the price received by the farmers will be away below the cost of production," the Annual Convention of the Acadia U.F.A. Federal Constituency Association, meeting here Saturday, asked the Federal Government "to immediately take such action as will prevent another such price disaster as occurred in 1932 by setting such a minimum price as will at least return the farmer the cost of production."

While pressing for this action, to meet the immediate situation, the Convention went on record in strong reaffirmation of "the position we have taken in the past in regard to the vital necessity for a compulsory grain board, with adequate producer representation to sell all the Canadian grain marketed through commercial channels."

"Keen disappointment and our entire disapproval of the Turgeon report as a whole" was expressed; and the opinion was strongly stated that the report was "unfavorable to the expressed wishes of the producers of grain in Western Canada."

Fails in Times of Stress

"We are of the opinion," the resolution added, "that the grain exchange is not an efficient method of selling our grain," because, "in times of either economic stress, depression or in time of war the exchange fails miserably and immediately some action has to be taken by the Federal Government."

Gardiner Pleads for Tolerance

The resolutions on grain marketing were among many passed by the Convention dealing with urgent problems facing the farm people. Largely attended (there were about 200 present, through roads had been made very difficult by heavy rains the night before the Convention), the gathering heard addresses by Robert Gardiner, Provincial President, who outlined the U.F.A. position in regard to organizational work and pleaded for tolerance toward those who are not now members of the Association, and by other persons prominent in the farm movement. There was an especially good attendance of farm young people.

Farm Representation Sought

The Convention asked that representation on the advisory board of the

Nazis Seek to Terrorize Co-operators in Their Homes

The German seizure of Austria this spring was the signal for an outbreak of threats by Nazis in Czechoslovakia, according to statements of H. M. Gibson, director of the English C. W.S., who attended a co-operative congress in Prague of recent date. Henlein's Nazi followers, he said, were emboldened to visit the homes of the co-operators, using threats to induce them to transfer their trade to the private businesses.

Prairie Farmers' Rehabilitation Act be given to "actual farmers resident in the drought area"; pointing out that "it is in line with our ideals of democracy that those people should have a voice in councils which have a very important part in their lives," and that farmers with some 30 years practical experience can make a valuable contribution to the solution of drought area problems. It was urged that the U.F.A. be asked to recommend some nominations to the Board.

Reserve From 1938 Crop Urged

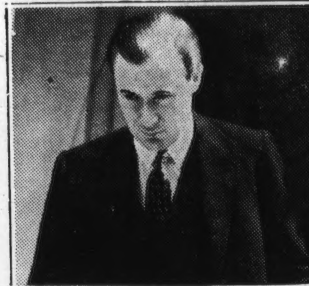
That sufficient reserve from the 1938 crop, if available, shall be retained on the farm to provide "for feed, seed and operating requirements for at least two years" in the drought areas, was requested by the Convention. By this means a measure of permanency and security would be given to the areas. The only exception to this rule, it was proposed, should be payments for local services such as doctors, merchants, etc. Federal and Provincial Governments were asked to co-operate in this matter, making such conservation legally possible.

In support of the proposal it was pointed out that "at least only a medium crop will be harvested in the drought area in Alberta this year," wheat futures indicate low prices; and that the drought areas as a whole has had no paying crop since 1928, little or no new farm machinery being purchased. It was pointed out that the policy of the Federal Government through the Agricultural Improvement Associations is to accumulate surpluses of feed, seed and other requirements when they are available, to tide over years of scarcity; and that in the drought areas sometimes three consecutive failures occur.

At least the scale of payment under the F.P.R.A. which prevailed in the fall of 1937, for water conservation projects, was asked for this year.

Enlargement of the membership of the Special Areas Board to six members, with actual experience in the area concerned, three to be appointed

Stand Vindicated



When Duncan Sandys, British M.P. and relative of Winston Churchill, revealed in the House of Commons that he had been summoned to appear before an army court to reveal where he got certain information re alleged inefficiency in carrying out the rearmament program, a committee of the House found that parliamentary privilege had been violated. Parliament is still superior to the army in Britain.

NEW ZEALAND TRADE UP

Trade in New Zealand is far from languishing under the Labor Government. Total external trade in 1937 was valued at £122,874,074, a gain of nearly £22,000,000 over the previous year. As 1936 was a record year, the figure for 1937 establishes a new high level.

A 200,000,000 bushel crop for Saskatchewan is said to be in sight.

by the Government and three elected by residents, was requested.

Necessity of initiating "such modifications of the William Pearce diversion projects as are applicable to Alberta," as a national responsibility by the Federal Government, was stressed, and the Provincial Government was asked to join in pressing for such action and co-operate in bringing the project into operation.

Appreciation of U.G.C. Support

Appreciation was expressed to the United Grain Growers for "the splendid support given the U.F.A. in the past," the resolution continuing, "Especially do we appreciate the action of the company in making it possible for eight young farm people of the U.F.A. from the drought area to attend the Junior Conference at the University in Edmonton recently."

With reference to the Production Tax Act, the Convention declared, "While we are in favor of the principle of taxation on ability to pay, yet we are opposed to any such exorbitant taxation as 7 per cent on agricultural production, especially until such time as other incomes besides the farmers are taxed to a similar extent."

Since the Dominion Government has acknowledged Federal responsibility for settlement of the drought areas, and the need for medical services is urgent, this Government was asked to subsidize a medical practitioner for the area and to assist in financing health units in districts considered suitable within the area.

Commends CBC

The Convention approved the action of the CBC in making allowance for (Continued on page 12)

ADULT SCHOOL AT OLDS IMPORTANT ALBERTA EVENT

Albertans of All Ages Mingle in Study and Play at Community School

WEEK-END IMPRESSIONS

Support and Extension of Adult School Idea Seems Assured for Future

By The EDITOR

I wish I could describe at length the impressions formed during the all-too-brief week-end which I spent at the Alberta School of Community Life at Olds.

In another place in this issue my friend Charlie Mills of Fleet has given his own account of the earlier days of the course; and space will not permit of more than a few further comments upon the school and its significance. Of the actual discussions (for every lecture period was a discussion period) I can describe little, though these in themselves were worthy of columns of description.

Anxious to Return

In one respect those of us who attended the special week-end course were more fortunate than Mr. Mills. The brief school "term" was nearing its end, and students whose appreciation of its value and pleasure in its amenities had been daily increasing, were able at this time to gain even more from what it had to offer, than at the beginning. I am inclined to judge from what I heard that everyone who attended will be most anxious to return next year, bringing others.

For my part I have experienced nothing just like it before. It was attended by quite young and by middle-aged people and by some who had passed middle age; yet there was no sense of these differences; but a frank enjoyment on the part of all of the comparison and clash of ideas and in mingled study and play.

The adult school movement, I believe, has come to stay in Alberta, and its wide expansion, which there is good reason to think will prove possible, will be one of the major factors in the creation of a spirit of community. I think that the creation of such a spirit is vital to the preservation of our civilization from the suicide which threatens it.

British Visitor's Comment

John Grierson, a British visitor to the school who is now engaged in the development of educational films freed from the propaganda for big business and "things-as-they-are" which has marred many films so named in the past, had the meat of the matter when he said in a brief talk I had with him, that such adult schools as that at Olds would be worth while if nobody attending them actually learnt anything—anything, that is, of an academic sort. Its chief value lies in the laying of foundations for genuine democracy, and so maintaining liberty.


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HISTORY OF THE EASTERN IRRIGATION DISTRICT

INSTALMENT IV.

Practical Irrigation Farming

IRRIGATED land is practically worthless; only water and labor make the land valuable. The founders of the Eastern Irrigation District knew this when they cut land prices to one-fifth of the former figure. But cheap land doesn't make cheap farming. Irrigation is terrifyingly expensive. In the first place there is the water rate; the annual levy of about \$1.75 an acre that must be paid if a crop is to be produced at all. Then there is the costly business of levelling the land, of laying out the ditches and of spreading the water. There is the bitter fight against weeds, which grow as luxuriantly as anything else under irrigation and can only be controlled by costly cultivation. The irrigation farmer must make his land pay heavily to cover these extra costs. The water rate may be regarded as crop insurance. The rate is the same for any kind of crop. If a farmer raises products to the value of \$17.50 per acre the water rate takes 10%

of his output. This is almost a ruinous charge.

If on the other hand the product is worth \$175.00 per acre the water rate takes only 1 per cent of the yield. This is a negligible charge. The farmer is getting crop insurance for next to nothing.

Irrigation products then must be high value products.

Finding a High Value Crop

The problem of finding a high value crop is the major problem of the E.I.D.

Wheat and alfalfa are still the staples of the District. At \$1.00 a bushel, the long term average yield of over 20 bushels to the acre makes wheat a paying crop on irrigated land. Hay at \$10.00 a ton is also a profitable crop. But the prices of both these staples fluctuate widely. Sixty cent wheat or five dollar hay will bankrupt the average irrigator in a few years.

The irrigation farmer must get away from dependence on hay and grain. Where can he find a product whose value per acre is high enough to make the irrigation costs seem negligible?

Some of Alberta's irrigated sections have found the answer in sugar beets; but Brooks is too far from the existing refineries to share in this market and to date has failed to attract a sugar factory of its own. For the Eastern Irrigation District there is no ready solution; each farmer must work out the problem to suit his land, his capital, and his own aptitudes.

An Exceptional Achievement

Matt Sarsens, for instance, learned the gardeners' trade in England. For years he worked with the C.P.R. and most of the superb groves around the E.I.D. headquarters were laid out under his supervision. Then he took over seventy acres of irrigable land on the outskirts of Brooks and built up an amazing combination of farm, orchard, market garden and nursery. He grows an endless variety of fruits, vegetables, shrubs and flowers. He pays out annually in wages alone about \$100 per acre. He makes his land sufficiently productive to carry this tremendous labor charge.

That is successful irrigation farming. Unfortunately it is not the type of farming that many men can undertake. In the first place the market for asparagus tips, peony roots and similar specialties is extremely limited and highly competitive. Only a man with an inherited genius for making such things grow can hope to succeed. Market gardens and nurseries are the way out for only a very few men. They can never be the basis for general prosperity in an irrigated district.

The search for a high value crop has led a good many farmers to experiment with seed growing. Generally speaking, specially selected strains grown for seed will yield at least as many bushels and will sell for several times the price per bushel as the same products grown for the ordinary market.

Seed growing, of course, is always a risky business. There is a heavy investment in specially selected seed. Costly precautions must be taken to preserve purity and to combat weeds. The market is subject to wild fluctuations, for fashions change as readily in plant varieties as in women's hats. In spite of these dangers, seed growing does present a possible way of increasing values per acre, and the irrigation farmers are shrewdly developing this possibility.

Pioneer in Field

The pioneer in the field was the Grimm Alfalfa Seed Growers' Associa-

tion, formed as a local co-operative in Brooks in 1923 and affiliated with the Associated Seed Growers of New Haven, Conn., in 1935. This organization has succeeded in building up almost a world-wide reputation for Alberta alfalfa seed. The output is not large—only about 162,000 pounds last year. But the quality is choice. Most of the product is exported—to the United States, to Denmark, to almost every country where superb foddere are appreciated.

Sweet clover and alsike seed are handled too, in smaller volume—about 140,000 pounds per year—with the same meticulous care as is bestowed on the alfalfa seed. Recently, too, crested wheat grass seed has been marketed; the incident is typical of the vagaries of the seed market.

A few years ago, when crested wheat was virtually unknown, Seed Branch officials in Calgary sent a thirty pound sack of the new grass seed down to the Grimm Alfalfa S.G.A., with a request that it be placed with a grower on irrigated land. One of the Association's field men took the sack with him on his rounds.

Yielded \$120 per Acre

He couldn't find a farmer who was interested. Nobody had heard of crested wheat grass; nobody wanted to be bothered with it. Finally Soren Peterson, at Tilley, agreed to look after it. He sowed it on a seven acre field. That field has paid him, on the average, \$120 an acre every year since it was planted. It gained him a world's championship at Chicago in 1937. It was producing one of those high value crops which the irrigation farmer is always seeking.

Such returns on crested wheat seed can't last, of course. At the rate it is being seeded now it will soon be as plentiful as brome grass. But there is one seed crop that will offer a fairly secure investment to Alberta irrigation farmers for a long time to come. A weevil makes it secure.

"Pea-bug" is the curse of the canning districts all through North America. Wherever peas are grown in quantity a moth flutters about the vines. Each pea, as it develops, encloses a microscopic egg. If the peas are kept for seed the egg hatches, becomes a worm which eats out the heart of the seed and emerges as a moth from the empty shell.

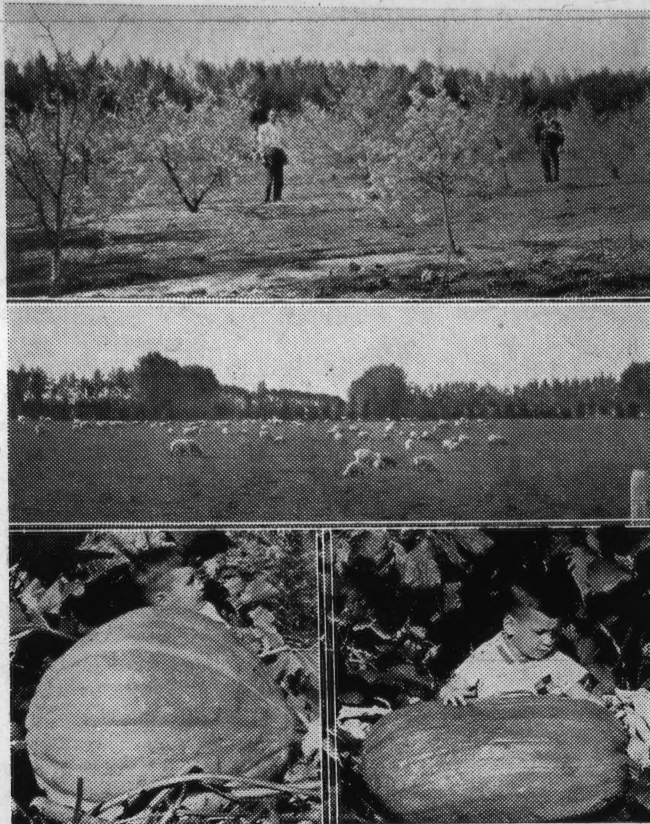
Because of this weevil there is hardly a pea section on the continent that can grow its own seed. Clean pea seed is rare and valuable. And the "pea-bug" cannot survive the Alberta winters. Here is a set-up that provides a high value crop with a sufficiently steady demand to warrant its becoming a permanent factor in irrigation farming.

Pea Culture Introduced

The Grimm Alfalfa S.G.A. introduced pea culture to the E.I.D. in 1933. Since that time the output has expanded steadily. Last year the Plant handled 2,750,000 pounds. This year's crop will be about 12 per cent greater. Incredible as it may seem, this entire crop is "rogued"—impure strains weeded out—by hand during the growing season, and after the crop is threshed, the seed is carefully hand-picked before it is marketed. Twenty-four women worked steadily for five months to clean last year's crop of nearly 3,000,000 pounds in time for seeding this spring. Such exacting precautions preserve the reputation of the E.I.D.'s most promising high value crop.

What do the growers get? That depends partly on the land, partly on luck, but chiefly on the skill and industry of the farmer. Peas are temperamental. They won't tolerate alkali; they can't stand wet feet; they must be watered adequately,

Scenes at the E.I.D. Demonstration Farm



Typical scenes at the Demonstration Farm, Brooks, are shown above. The farm was started by the C.P.R. in 1915, when the late Dr. Rutherford was superintendent of agriculture for the company; and the late Don H. Bark had a great deal to do with its development. In 1935 the farm went to the E.I.D., together with the irrigation works, etc.

Top is a scene among the fruit trees on the farm, where crab apples, cherries and plums are grown. In favorable seasons (when there has been no early frost) fruits have been shipped to Calgary and sold there.

Centre: Sheep pasturing on the southern portion of the Demonstration Farm.

Bottom: Don Bark, Junior, is shown (left) with a squash and (right) with a marrow grown on the farm.

frequently, and very carefully. If the farmer manages a good field skilfully, the reward is excellent. One grower last year, after paying all costs, had a net return of \$55.00 per acre. Others failed to get their seed back. Between these two extremes, most of the growers managed to secure quite satisfactory returns. This year the acreage indicates the crop's increasing popularity. Of all the high value products yet discovered for the District it appears the most promising.

Experimenting Still Goes On

Experimenting is still going on, of course. Farmers are trying their luck with pop-corn and potatoes, with tobacco and tomatoes. The permanent pattern of E.I.D. crop production has still to be determined.

But crops are only one way of escape from the heavy burden of fixed charges. The crop growing season lasts for only a few months of the year. Why not turn the farm into a factory, using the raw materials produced during the short summer, and converting these into high value secondary products during the slack season?

Why not turn cheap hay and grain, worth only a few dollars a ton, into milk and butter, into beef and mutton and pork, into eggs and drumsticks worth many dollars per hundredweight?

Why not turn clover blossom into honey, and waste time into money? How this is being done will be the subject of the next article in this series.

Second-Rate

St. Peter (to applicant)—Where are you from?

Applicant—From California.

St. Peter—Come on up, but I don't think you'll like it.

Nominate Delegates Alberta Wheat Pool

Delegates nominated in the annual elections of the Alberta Wheat Pool are listed below. Each district has ten delegates, elected for two-year terms, five retiring each year.

Elections this year are for the even-numbered districts, except in the case of sub-district D-1, where a vacancy was created by the resignation of E. J. Norris of Sibbald.

Where only one name appears following the sub-district number, an acclamation is indicated; where more than one name appears there will be an election.

The list follows:

Sub-Dist.	Name	Address
A-2	Madill, J. P., Foremost.	
A-4	Johansen, J. A., Woolford.	
A-6	Redd, Paul H., Raymond.	
A-8	Purell, George J., Enchant.	
A-10	Montgomerie, T. S., Hilda.	
B-2	Russell, D. H., Carmangay.	
B-4	Montgomery, H. I., Nanton.	
B-6	Dann, John James, Vulcan.	
B-8	Barker, W. R., Okotoks.	
B-10	Greig, John C., Balzac.	
C-2	Birtwistle, P. E., Bingville.	
	Hannaford, J. R., Howie.	
	Yake, W., Cappon.	
C-4	Axelsson, Alfred, Wayne.	
C-6	Walter, W. A., Hussar.	
C-8	Schmaltz, J. H., Beiseker.	
C-10	Wood, Jas. A., Elnora.	
D-1	Padberg, Martin, Sibbald.	
	Stoner, A. A., Oyen.	
D-2	Byler, W. J., Oyen.	
	Caskey, S. J., Lanfine.	
D-4	Falconer, W. S., Big Stone.	
D-6	Davey, Thomas, Craigmyle.	
D-8	Bagley, G. A., Rowley.	
D-10	Clark, Duncan W., Stettler.	
	Long, J. F., Gadsby.	
	Moult, W. C., Donald.	
E-2	May, J. W., Ponoka, R.R. 3.	
E-4	Haarstad, A. B., Bentley.	
E-6	Beatt, P. S., Westlock.	
	Messmer, Joseph, Barrhead,	
	R.R. 1.	
E-8	Powell, Uri, Sexsmith, R.R. 1.	
E-10	McAuley, W. H., Fairview,	
	R.R. 1.	
	Williamson, M. E., Berwyn.	
F-2	Burn, Howard P., Hayter.	
	Pope, David A., Hayter.	
F-4	Wright, W., Veteran.	
F-6	Turner, H. H., Alliance.	
F-8	Howlett, H. W., Galahad.	
	Laing, J. W., Galahad.	
F-10	Harber, W. W., Camrose.	
G-2	Clay, G. Elmer, Paradise Valley.	
	McGrath, D. C., Tolland.	
G-4	Reishus, John E., Viking.	
	Wollen, L. O., Viking.	
G-6	Shapka, William L., Desjarlais.	
	Sorochnan, D. J., Andrew.	

School of Fine Arts Will Open in Banff Monday August 1st

The sixth summer School of Fine Arts will be held in Banff during August, the courses in Art and Theatre commencing August 1st and closing August 27th, those in music being held from August 8th to 27th.

It provides an opportunity for study in most beautiful surroundings, with interesting companions from all parts of the continent, and facilities for holiday recreation.

The school is under the direction of the Department of Extension of the University of Alberta, in co-operation with the Institute of Technology and Art. The staff will include instructors from several American universities and other specialists.

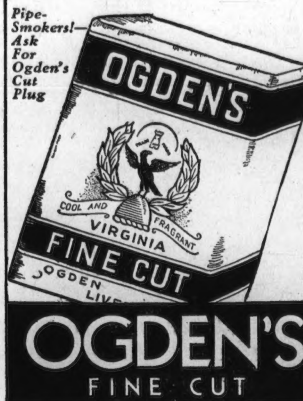
The fees are \$15 for either Theatre or Art courses, \$12 for piano, \$12 for choral (or \$17.50 for a combined music course) and special children's classes, acting and plastic, are offered at \$3. Persons interested should write for further information to Donald Cameron, acting Director of the Department of Extension, University, Edmonton.

Mayview Beavers, Vulcan, recently organized Junior Local, meet alternately at the school and at members' homes. The girls are doing sewing, under the direction of Melba Stein, and the boys are doing woodwork under Mrs. Clayton. They are also making books dealing with various countries, reports the secretary, Elaine Plourd.

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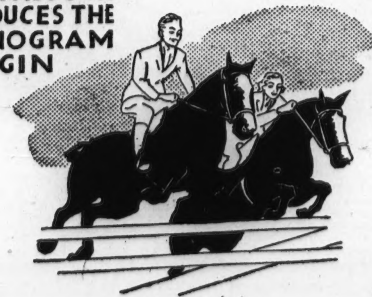
Wetaskiwin Board to Meet

The Wetaskiwin U.F.A. Federal Board will meet in the Corona Hotel, Edmonton, on July 28th (during the C.C.F. convention) at a time to be arranged, Mrs. Ray Carter, secretary, announces.

Kokotailo, Tom, Willingdon.
G-8 Nay, John O., Hilliard.
G-10 Joly, Laudas, St. Paul.
Tessier, Victor, St. Paul.

In sub-districts where there is a contest members will receive ballots by July 15th. These must be marked by numbers in accordance with preference and returned to the Alberta Wheat Pool Head Office by August 15th at 5 p.m.

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MINIMUM WHEAT PRICE

The value of the new policy announced by the Government in respect to the purchasing of farmers' wheat by the Wheat Board will depend upon the figure at which the minimum price is set. That price should be sufficient to cover the costs of production.

The resolution passed by the farmers of Acadia at their Convention at Hanna last Saturday seeks nothing more than fairplay for agriculture. The West has the prospect of at least a fairly good crop but, as the Acadia resolution points out, the trend of wheat futures is such that when the crop is harvested the price may be so far below the costs of producing it as to create a serious crisis. Government intervention is called for.

After the protracted period of conditions disastrous for the growers, during which the economic level of agriculture has been reduced to disastrous levels, action by the Government is clearly necessary in the interests of Canadian economic stability in the widest sense, no less than in the interests of Canada's primary industry.

If, as the result of setting a minimum price sufficient to cover the farmer's costs of production, losses should be incurred, these should be absorbed by the Dominion in the general interest.

The Government of almost every important country in the world has seen the necessity during recent years of using national resources to prevent the ruin of its agriculture. Nearly all have realized that policy of *laissez faire* in such times as these does not always work to the general advantage. The Canadian Government, since Mr. King came to power, in this respect at least has been one of the exceptions.

We believe that the Acadia resolution should be supported in every farm community and by every Board of Trade. The carrying out of the policy it advocates would not only save agriculture from risk of disaster; it would benefit every other legitimate interest in Western Canada.

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RETIRE FROM LEADERSHIP

Many citizens of the West—those who do not share his general political outlook, as well as those who do—will regret the withdrawal of Mr. Bennett from active leadership.

Mr. Bennett, when Prime Minister,

did come to a clear realization of the need for at least a bold beginning in economic reform and reconstruction. He made an effort to carry into effect forward-looking policies in the field of social reconstruction. Those policies, in our judgment, were in many respects inadequate, but they did mark an advance. He was frustrated; reforms he had sought to initiate in several cases were abandoned, or foundered when the new Government referred them to the Privy Council. But the effort was worth making, and remains to Mr. Bennett's credit.

Agriculture in particular had reason to appreciate Mr. Bennett's effective intervention in the field of marketing.

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"CASE FOR THE C.B.C."

Jack Sutherland of Hanna is to be congratulated on the most effective presentation of the case for the C.B.C. which appeared in a recent issue of *The Country Guide*.

The article was timely. The C.B.C. has been attacked most unjustly—honestly by some of its critics, from obviously interested motives by others—on many occasions during the past year. The attacks have gone far beyond criticism of programs (an entirely legitimate function of the public and those who write for it), and has been apparently designed to wreck the national system. Mr. Sutherland's article puts the case for the publicly-owned corporation and for the principle of public ownership as applied to broadcasting, very neatly and effectively from the farmers' standpoint. The service they are getting, as he makes clear, would be impossible of attainment under private ownership.

L. W. Brockington, K.C., the chairman of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, speaking before the Parliamentary Committee on Radio Broadcasting during the recent session at Ottawa, outlined his own views and described the policy of the corporation in the following words:

"It has been well remarked by a speaker in the Canadian House of Commons that the air is the last part of the public domain that remains unalienated. Without public control and progressive public development, sustaining, educational and cultural features cannot be extensively broadcast.

"Without public control, listeners in

isolated and less populous parts of the country cannot enjoy the privileges which have hitherto been reserved for some of the great centres of population. The decision of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation to extend its listening facilities, to increase and improve its programs, and to maintain state ownership of high-powered facilities, and to subserve all interests to those of the listener, is only the implementing of the paramount duty which has been set upon us by the parliamentary trust we have undertaken."

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EARLY STATEMENT REMAINS

Our attention has been called to the fact that in the later debates on foreign policy in the House of Commons, Mr. Mackenzie King declared that he had no wish to put any bar upon discussion in the House, but urged care in the manner of criticism in view of the critical international situation.

That is all to the good; but does not dispose of his previous declaration, when attacks had been made upon freedom of discussion of foreign affairs on the air, that "it is not proper either in parliament or out of parliament for criticisms to be made of the internal affairs of other countries where those criticisms are likely to prove embarrassing to the Government and administration of the day."

That statement remains, and has every appearance of being a thinly veiled threat. Why should not the Government of the day be embarrassed if it is following a policy of betrayal of its pledges and of international decency?

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"DISHONEST PRETENSE"

"It is dishonest to pretend that there is not enough to go around. It is discreditable of economists to maintain the theory of essential scarcity. It is also unavailing. For trick figures crash upon the manifest truth that today in Canada, we have per person the greatest natural wealth of any country under the sun. Yet we act as if poverty were our high purpose and want and unemployment the insignia of moral greatness. . . .

"We stand throat high in riches.

Yet many of our people are in want. This year's wheat crop promises to be a great one. That should mean real benefit to producer and consumer both. There is no assurance of benefit. We do nothing to ensure it. We only hope; just as a man hopes who has no power to save himself.

"We cling to the profits from impending war. They have become a sort of national dividend. We pleasurably anticipate their increase. Thus we put our trust in Armageddon, just around the corner.

"Poverty in the midst of plenty results in strife. . . ."

—Hon. W. D. Herridge at Halifax.

Impressions of Adult Education in Alberta

By CHARLES MILLS

For several years President of the Junior U.F.A., in which he gave valued service in organization of rural young people, the author of the following article is well-known to farm young people in many parts of Alberta. For the past few years he has been engaged in teaching.

ALBERTA'S School of Community Life at Olds is now in its second year of growth.

At the moment I sit looking over the beautiful college campus, rejoicing over the rain, thinking about the past, considering the present, with perhaps a glimpse of the future.

It is the purpose of this article to give the reader an insight into the aims and accomplishments of the school and to portray as sincerely as possible its spirit. A detailed digest of the various courses is beyond the scope of this brief contribution.

What Is Adult Education?

The first question is—What is Adult Education? It is education continued after formal schooling is over. Our schools, teaching as they do pupils from 7 to 15 or 18 years, do not touch the personal problems the adult will meet. This is an endeavor to teach a more intelligent way to live, a better way to use a greater amount of leisure time—education to meet our needs whatever they may be.

The school is patterned somewhat upon the Folk Schools of the Scandinavian countries, which have contributed so greatly to the co-operative and democratic progress of those countries.

A word about classes, which include so much of diversified interest—from homemaking, literature, history, dramatics, psychology, to the international situation as portrayed by Dr. H. L. Stewart, known to most of us through his Sunday afternoon commentary on world affairs over the radio. In each class provision was made for study and discussion; in fact some were discussion periods entirely. That students were thinking was evident from the fact that frequently they challenged rather than accepted. Indeed, throughout the course, it has been obvious that the intention was to make the discussion thought-provoking rather than to say, "This is the way."

A word here about extra-curricular activities—play received its full and just attention and much understanding and good fellowship resulted. Nearly everyone plays, old and young—volley ball, tennis, soft ball, picnics and takes part in sing-songs, dances and in between, the occasional hand of bridge. So beneficial is all this that everyone felt renewed for the more serious business.

Spirit of Gathering

And now, to endeavor to catch the spirit of this gathering. Here was a group of people of varied ages, from many walks of life, earnest, sincere, enthusiastic, realizing our need for planning, endeavoring to find the truth. Never have I seen or experienced, greater friendliness, courtesy, freedom and tolerance than displayed here—true alike of both staff and students.

One must not pass on without dealing with the all important social contact, in fact it was realized that this is one of the most worthwhile phases of the course. Here we have a group of men and women from 17 to say 60 years of age, representing a wide area of our Province—students of a high type naturally, because only those interested, who thought it worth while and would make the necessary effort, came: representing a cross-section of our society—farmers, housewives, lawyers, teachers, business men, doctors, ministers, instructors, stenographers, university graduates. This representative group attends classes together, playing

together, and thinking together about common problems and not least the fellowship of the mealtime hour.

Some said with enthusiasm, "I never thought it would be like this." Others, "I'm enjoying it all; and the cost is so low."

Anticipating Next Year

Some: "I'm hoping to come back next year"—one could not but anticipate a next year. All acting as though they were really having the time of their lives—so perhaps we may, as a people, yet find a more intelligent way in which to live.

So many wished others were here: determined that others shall be here next year—they leave as missionaries to their respective communities, and through the personal contact the movement will grow.

At the time of writing the number taking the complete course is double that of last year, the average class attendance is approximately fifty, and it is expected that registration will exceed one hundred.

One remembers the past, considers the present and attempts to foretell the future (always a risky business); but I am firmly convinced that the idea of Adult Education is so sound, sane and reasonable, that the growth now evident will continue: a fitting monument to the courage of those who pioneered its development in Alberta: and that our future largely depends upon its growth and expansion.

Acadia Provincial U.F.A.

Elect Johnston President, Annual Convention, Cereal

Russell Johnston, Helmsdale, was elected president of Acadia Provincial U.F.A. at the recent convention in Cereal, and Mrs. Michaels, Excel, vice-president. Directors are Mrs. Young, Bindloss, J. Hardy, Oyen, H. W. Burkholder, Cereal, D. Allsopp, Bigstone, Mrs. Hille, Cereal, L. Proudfoot, Chinook, Mrs. Byler, Oyen, and D. Warwick, Oyen, who is also secretary-treasurer.

Robert Gardiner gave an inspiring talk on the problems of the day, as did J. K. Sutherland, Mrs. Sutherland and L. Proudfoot upon various subjects of importance.

Resolutions were carried opposing the production tax in its present form, asking for an active wheat board, asking farmer representation on the special areas board and urging that one member of the advisory board under the P.F.R.A. be a resident of the drought areas.

Songs by Miss Blair and Mrs. Horn were greatly enjoyed, and community singing was led by Mr. Hughes. Mrs. Michaels was chairman, Mr. Gardiner acting as assistant.

Coming Fairs in Alberta

Class B Fairs to be held in Alberta are Vegreville, July 25th to 27th; Vermilion, July 28th to 30th; Lloydminster August 1st to 3rd. Lethbridge, Red Deer and Camrose fairs were held earlier in the month.

Class C Fairs will be held as follows: Lacombe, July 15th and 16th; Benalto, July 19th and 20th; Olds, July 22nd and 23rd; Didsbury, July 27th; Lousana (Hays Agricultural Society) August 5th; Loughheed (Goose Creek Agricultural Society) August 3rd; Spirit River-Rycroft, August 2nd and 3rd; Priddis and Millarville Agricultural Society, August 13th; Warspite, August 15th. Fairs will also be held at Donnelly, Okotoks, Chauvin and Westlock at dates to be set later.

Finland, the only country which has kept up its war debt payments to the U.S.A., is enabled to do so largely because farm and other wholesale co-operatives keep up its exports, said Foreign Minister Holsti recently.

What is Canada's Greatest Co-operative Business?

Answer.—Life Insurance—in which more than 3,500,000 Canadians are united for mutual protection.

Question.—Then, about one out of every three Canadians owns Life Insurance?

Answer.—Yes, and more than half the population of our country benefits directly from Life Insurance.

Q.—How?

A.—Because Life Insurance savings not only protect policyholders but also guarantee financial security to the women and children who are their dependants.

Q.—How much money does Life Insurance pay out each year?

A.—Approximately \$150,000,000—or, at the average rate of Half-a-Million Dollars every working day.

Q.—How does Life Insurance invest the millions of dollars of policyholders' savings?

A.—In many worth-while enterprises for the benefit of all Canadian people.

Q.—What are the principal investments?

A.—Government bonds—municipal debentures—first mortgages on homes and farms—and other investments authorized by law.

Q.—How do these Life Insurance investments benefit Canada?

A.—They help to build homes, schools and good roads—improve farm property—extend transportation systems—finance industries—and construct local improvements.

This is the fifth of a series of messages sponsored by Life Insurance Companies operating in Canada. The sixth, to appear in two weeks' time, will show how Life Insurance savings finance mortgage loans.

Life Insurance



Guardian of

Canadian Farms

FARMERS' ORGANIZATIONS

are a feature of modern industrial and commercial life that is relatively new. The degree of civilization and culture in any country may, to a very considerable extent, be gauged by the condition of its agriculture.

Agricultural communities improve their standard of living chiefly through organization, and organization depends upon farmers themselves.

The United Farmers of Alberta

is now in its thirtieth year of continuous effort on behalf of the farmers of Alberta. Have you played a part in its development? Are you a member this year?

Strengthen Your Farm Organization

by joining immediately.

See your local secretary or, if there is no local in your district, write

U.F.A. CENTRAL OFFICE
RENFREW BUILDING, CALGARY

Effect of Disallowance of Provincial Acts By Hon. J. E. BROWNLEE, K.C., LL.D.

By this time, no doubt, it is known to all readers of this column that the Dominion Government has disallowed two acts passed at the last Session of the Provincial Legislature.

The first bill disallowed, the Securities Tax Act, only affects directly those who hold mortgages on city or farm property. The Provincial Government no doubt hoped that the imposition of a tax of two percent on mortgage principal would induce many mortgagees to make compromises with their debtors in order to liquidate the mortgage and invest the proceeds elsewhere. The disallowance of this Act, therefore, has only affected debtors indirectly, if at all, as no one can say to what extent the act, if it had remained in effect, would have had the result which the Government expected.

Takes Away Prohibition re Home Quarters

The disallowance of the Home Securities Protection Act, however, again changes very considerably the situation in the Province with respect to debt legislation. The purpose of this act was to put into effect practically a perpetual moratorium with respect to farm homes and in practice would have had much the same effect with respect to city property.

The disallowance of this act takes away the prohibition against the foreclosure of home quarters, and as there is no moratorium now in effect, it is possible for any Mortgage Company to apply to the Debt Adjustment Board for leave to commence foreclosure proceedings. As harvest is rapidly approaching, it is advisable therefore to consider the present position of debt legislation.

There is still of course the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act. Amendments have been made to this act at the recent session of the Dominion House to make it more workable and to provide for more than one Board of Review. It remains to be seen whether the Dominion will appoint these extra Boards in order to facilitate the work of this act. As it appears that many parts of the Province will enjoy the first good crop for many years, it is altogether likely that there will be a rush of applications from the dry area this fall. So far the Board of Review has kept away from the dry areas, feeling that little could be done. With a crop this year the time is opportune to negotiate debt settlements throughout the dry area and debtors in those areas should give immediate attention to the advisability of making their applications this fall.

Provincial Legislation Remaining

The only Provincial legislation remaining in effect consists of:

1. The Debt Adjustment Act, and
2. The Amendments to the Statute of Limitations.

Under this latter act, any debts incurred before the 1st day of July, 1936, become outlawed after the 1st day of July, 1940, unless in the meantime a renewal agreement has been arranged between the debtor and creditor. The Dominion Government has deferred its decision as to whether it will disallow this act. The answer will probably depend on the extent to which creditors succeed in obtaining renewals of such debts during the current year. It is understood that Mortgage Companies have had their agents calling upon all mortgagors and have been successful in obtaining renewals in the majority of cases. I doubt if this act will be a great factor, therefore, in solving the debt problem.

The Debt Adjustment Act has been amended to provide that any farmer may apply for a certificate which will prevent any creditor, whose claim dates prior to July 1st, 1936, taking action against him. To obtain this certificate he must furnish a

carefully prepared statement of his assets and liabilities and must agree to turn over a quarter share of his crop for distribution among his creditors. Many lawyers think this section of the act is also *ultra vires*. In any event, with respect to debts originating before July 1st, 1936, creditors cannot take action without the consent of the Debt Adjustment Board. The power of that Board to compel reductions in debt, however, is limited to the indirect influence of a refusal to grant a permit. Undoubtedly adjustments are being made through the medium of the Debt Adjustment Board.

Warning to Debtors

Debtors throughout the Province therefore face the harvest with the option of looking to the Provincial Debt Adjustment Act as their safeguard against arbitrary action by creditors or making application under the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act if they have not already done so; and I feel therefore I should take this opportunity of again warning debtors that they should immediately give careful consideration to their position and decide whether it is to their advantage to depend upon the Provincial Debt Adjustment Act or make application to the Board of Review under the Dominion Act, knowing that the Board of Review has the power to force reductions in debt.

In this connection another word of warning is probably in order. The amendments to the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act had a rather rough ride through the Dominion House of Commons and the Senate and it was made abundantly clear that public opinion in Eastern Canada is very much opposed to this legislation. There is much uncertainty, therefore, as to how long this act may remain on the Statute books of Canada. This makes it all the more advisable that any debtors who feel they must have their debts reduced should decide at an early date whether they will seek the advantage of this Act. If they do not do so they have only themselves to blame if later on the advantage of this Act is not available.

Answers to Enquiries

If Can Prove Contract

Bluebird.—1. If you can prove a definite contract and that the man left without notice and in breach of his contract, he cannot collect from you. The difficulty with verbal agreements is that it is one man's word against another and it is impossible to say what a magistrate might decide after hearing both sides.

2. Presumably you wish to know if the company can repossess the sewing machine. The company can seize the machine through the sheriff's office but cannot sell without an order of the court. You would have the right to state your position before the judge and the judge would probably postpone the sale to give you a chance to pay. These applications, however, cost money and I suggest you should endeavor to make a compromise and avoid an application by the company. You no doubt signed a written contract with the company and would be bound by same and I do not think the verbal conversation would have any value.

Changing Name

Puzzled.—It is not a breach of the criminal law for a person to go under an assumed name providing nothing is done or no action taken under such name which might constitute fraud. If a person intends to change his name permanently, then it is much safer to cause the change of name to be properly registered under the Change of Name Act.

CENTRAL ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION

Let All of Us Put Our Shoulders to the Wheel

A Letter From the Vice-President

Dear Members:

The annual meeting is past, a milestone in the history of the Pool, a new start was made to overcome certain difficulties, and now that we have done this, let us look ahead with confidence and trust those who have been put in charge.

Let the past be where it is, the future let us greet with a new hope. Do not now sit back and think you have done your share; this is not enough. You—and you, all of us, must now put our shoulders to the wheel and push. If you just put the shoulder to the wheel and do not push it will act as a brake and hold us back.

A difficult position is ahead of us, but not a hopeless one. Your Board of Directors have started the task of overcoming these difficulties with confidence, and hope that all members are with them.

Let's Not Stumble Again

A stumbling block has been the unpaid 1936 dividend, but since we all have stumbled over it so many times, let's not stumble over it again, for in doing so we may break our backs and lie beside the obstacle, never to lift our heads again. So instead, let us remove it, and to do this, since it is too big for the Directors to lift alone, let all of us give a hand and remove it forever.

This can be done by every member being a booster. Increase the business by talking to your neighbor to ship his cream to one of your creameries; be trustful to your fellow members; be tolerant in your opinions, and don't jump to conclusions; if it's information you want, don't listen to anything or everything, ask for it from those in a responsible position and it will be given to you.

Let us be frank to each other, and if we only try, nothing can stop us on the road to progress.

Your Board completed days of harmonious consideration of the affairs of the Pool—fruitful days of hard labor. Much has been done to clear the decks for action. As time goes on you will be kept informed through these pages of the way things are going.

The banner of the C.A.D.P. is again floating in the breeze.

Let us carry it to victory, you and I, all of us. It can be done and will be done, if all of us try to do it.

CO-OPERATION is the ammunition with which we will overcome everything that stands in our way, for it is more powerful than powder or steel; for behind it is the power of human endeavour, of brotherly helpfulness, and a desire for accomplishment.

Let the clarion call ring forth: "The C.A.D.P. is again on the march. Ahead! dear members, ahead let us go!"

MAGNUS OPPEL,
Vice-Pres. C.A.D.P.

"TEST TUBE" CALF

Born on a farm in Essex, England, a "test tube" calf is claimed to be a unique achievement in cattle breeding, by the Animal Nutrition Research Institute of Cambridge. The calf, a healthy, normal, five-weeks-old animal, is the first "international" result of artificial insemination. Its sire is a Friesian bull, Odin, owned by Dr. I. Siebenga, veterinary surgeon of Oldeberkoop, Holland, and the mother is a pedigreed cow, Terling Torch 67th, of Lord Rayleigh's farms in Essex. The semen of the bull was conveyed in a test tube, placed among ice in an ordinary vacuum flask, and carried by air from Amsterdam. The cow was inseminated 28 hours later. The Institute reports seven failures as against this single success, but it is thought that improved general results can be expected in future.

Oleo Imports Reduce Value of Butter and Lard to Export Level

From *Butterfat*

Canada's annual production of butter and lard is 70 million pounds less than the quantity of edible fats consumed by the Canadian people.

In spite of this apparent shortage of domestic fats, Canada exports approximately 35 million pounds of butter and lard each year.

At the same time the annual imports of foreign vegetable oils for use in shortening are more than 100 million pounds. Canada's own products, butter and lard, are being driven out of Canada onto the world's markets to make way for the rapidly increasing quantities of vegetable shortening.

The effect is to reduce the value of Canada's entire production of butter and lard to the level of the export market.

Canada does not produce a surplus of butter and lard.

She creates it by importing huge quantities of cheap foreign oils, which are used for the same purpose.

It is proposed to place duties on foreign oils and fats, which duties are intended to give Canadian cream and livestock producers a preference in their own home market, and better prices than they can now enjoy.

You can assist in securing this preference for Canadian farmers in their own home markets by writing a letter to your local Member in the House of Commons.

The greater the number of letters received by members, the better chance there is of definite action by the Government to impose reasonable duties on foreign oils and fats entering Canada. If you wish action, mail your letter now.

BUTTER vs. OLEO

One of the most recent research studies concerning the comparative food values of butter and oleomargarine was conducted at the University of Nebraska.

A total of 370 rats were used in the experiments. All of the rats were first depleted of vitamin A by use of a special diet. Following this they were fed for a period of eight weeks with either butter or oleomargarine as the only source of vitamin A. Of the rats used, 281 were fed oleomargarine. Only 36 of this number survived the experiments. In another experiment, where both sour-cream and sweet-cream butter were compared with oleomargarine, all of the rats that were fed butter survived and gained over 50 grams per rat in weight, but only five of 75 rats that were fed oleomargarine survived the period.

If the majority of the people had plenty of vitamin A in their diet, it would not be so important for them to secure additional amounts by eating butter. However, Dr. E. V. McCollum of Johns Hopkins University, probably the greatest authority upon nutrition in the United States, states that studies have shown that vitamin A deficiency is of common occurrence, even under present conditions in the United States. Vitamin A may also be obtained from yellow and green vegetables, but since the deficiency is so common, consumption of all

This Message Should Be Read by Grain Producers

It is of vital importance that a strong co-operative elevator system should flourish in Alberta.

It is essential that such an elevator system should be under the control of Alberta grain producers—men who are actually following the occupation of farming.

The Alberta Pool Elevator system is the only organization in Alberta that meets these requirements.

All country elevators of the Pool system are operated under public license, and in a position to handle the grain of any producer.

Alberta Pool Elevators are on a sound financial basis, are efficiently managed and can give unexcelled service to the producers of this province.

Alberta Pool agents are carefully selected and have strict instructions to give fair treatment to all patrons.

Alberta Pool Elevators are democratically controlled and are operated primarily for the welfare of the Alberta grain producers.

All Producers of grain in the province should patronize—

Alberta Pool Elevators

foods containing it should be encouraged. He adds:

"Butter is such an important source of vitamin A, that its replacement by substitutes which are inferior to it, may well, in many cases, impair the health of the individual."

RIGHT START FOR FRESH COW

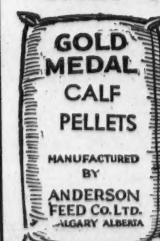
The dairyman who is anxious to make large records must guard against getting the fresh cow on full feed too quickly. Before birth the calf derived all its nourishment from the blood stream of the dam. This required the passage of amounts of blood to the reproductive organs. After parturition the blood must find a new outlet. Different arteries and veins are called into play. Unused muscles must function. Unless time is allowed before a large supply of fresh blood is thrown into the blood vascular system, some part of the body will be oversupplied. The udder which is a very delicate organ may suffer severely if the cow is forced by increasing the grain supply too rapidly.

More than 200 young people gathered at Lake McGregor recently for the annual Junior U.F.A. Sports Day. Silver cups were won by Dorothy Hesketh and Verlyn Culp of Arrowwood, Joan and Betty Williams, Queenstown, and Percy Stull, Arrowwood coming very close for second places. The day concluded with a dance in Queenstown Hall.

Seek to Increase Farm Production in Austria

VIENNA, July 13th.—Increased agricultural production in the Province of Austria is the purpose of new decrees of the Nazi German authorities. The program includes price reductions on fertilizers, credits for the purchase of silos, subsidies on flax and hemp, credits for farm housing and equipment, aid to purchasers of farms, credits for irrigation, and aid to the dairy industry. A moratorium on foreclosure sales of farm property has been declared.

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Current News from Near and Far

PROVINCIAL

Only one branch bank is now in operation between Hanna and the Saskatchewan border.

A ten days' course at Sarcee camp, concluded on Saturday, was attended by two thousand Alberta militiamen.

Dr. John Esler, the only doctor practising between Hanna, Oyen and Empress during the drought years, died in Cereal at the age of 65.

Forest fires in Northern Alberta, after being quiescent for about two weeks, have again broken out between Fort McMurray and Athabasca.

It is expected that Judge Carpenter will announce his findings on the milk situation in Calgary some time this week. Hearings were concluded July 2nd.

Charges of Hon. W. A. Fallow, that the Federal Government are discriminating against Alberta in road-making grants, are denied by J. A. MacKinnon, M.P. for West Edmonton, who states that almost \$500,000 is being spent by Ottawa on Alberta roads this year.

At a meeting at Okotoks last Friday evening, Premier Aberhart was interrupted so often that after about five minutes he gave up attempting to speak, and only an appeal to the crowd of about 400, by Magistrate R. E. Knowles, enabled him to carry on for another ten minutes.

J. W. Munro, Carstairs, won top place in Clydesdale stallion classes, and Robert A. Allan, Dalroy, in the grand champion Clydesdale females, with James S. Thomson, Midnapore, showing the reserve champion. H. W. Thomson, Standard, won the grand championship for Percheron stallions.

While F. H. Deacon, an Ontario exhibitor, beat out Alberta men in the shorthorn classes at the Calgary Exhibition, the C.P.R. farm at Strathmore won the majority of the awards in Holstein classes, with Hays & Co., Calgary, a close second. Alex. McPhail, Brandon, and A. C. Weir, Aberdeen, Sask., made top places with their swine exhibits.

"Tax remission slips" will be given by the Provincial Government as pay for work done in a projected road-making program, it is reported. The slips, unlike the "prosperity certificates," will not be stamped; the Government will accept them for current revenue and arrangements will be made, it is announced, to enable merchants to redeem them.

H. H. Hanson, pioneer farmer of Sedalia district, and an active U.F.A. worker, died recently. Robert Gardiner conducted the funeral services, in the U.F.A. hall.

No good purpose would be served by a public debate with William Irvine, on social credit, said John Blackmore, M.P., in refusing the invitation of Lomond U.F.A. Local.

C. J. McFarlane, of Calgary, who went to Alaska last year to treat gasoline for aeroplanes used in searching for the lost Russian fliers, has been made a member of the Explorers Club.

Operating expenses of the new Hail Insurance Board are fully guaranteed by the Alberta Government, said F. A. Hennig, manager, recently, but no provision had been made for losses.

A plan to provide \$1,000,000 for credit for Alberta farmers was under consideration by the Government, announced Premier Aberhart in High River, advising social credit groups to reorganize in readiness.

Ben S. Plumer, George Coote and Chris Jensen, Pool directors, and L. D. Nesbitt, publicity superintendent, are representing the Alberta Wheat Pool at the American Institute of Co-operation, held in Pullman, Washington, this week. Mr. Plumer's subject is "Canadian Experience in Co-operative Grain Marketing."

DOMINION

The tobacco crop, in Ontario and also in B.C., is reported to be in good condition.

Police are convinced that 18-months-old Carmen Lajeunesse, whose body was found in a creek near Ymir, B.C., was either murdered or accidentally killed, and then thrown into the creek. She disappeared late in May.

About 825 unemployed men are still encamped near Victoria, their plea to the B.C. Government to institute a work program having so far proved fruitless, but they have agreed to accept temporary relief pending transportation to their various homes.

At an initial price to be fixed later, the Canada Wheat Board will buy all wheat offered to it during the crop year commencing August 1st, Premier Mackenzie King has announced. There will be an initial minimum price and farmers will receive participation certificates which will entitle them to the difference between the initial price and the price at which the wheat is eventually sold by the Board.

Owing to overcrowding at Kingston penitentiary, transfer of 130 prisoners from Kingston to Western penitentiaries commenced on Tuesday.

As a step towards carrying out the terms of legislation to make the Bank of Canada completely government-owned, the stock transfer books of the Bank were closed on Tuesday.

The Souris-Estevan irrigation scheme (in Saskatchewan), the first large flood irrigation scheme to be undertaken under the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act, has been approved.

On July 8th the period during which the Dominion Government had power to disallow the Quebec Padlock Act expired. Minister of Justice Lapointe announced that the Dominion Government would neither disallow the act nor refer it to the Supreme Court.

WORLD

Floods at Kobe, Japan, cost the lives of several hundreds.

Twenty thousand have died from cholera in India in recent weeks.

British forces in Palestine are being increased to cope with Arab terrorism.

Venezuela has given notice of intention to withdraw from the League of Nations.

Swiss are indignant over Nazi claims that their country is a German state, says a Zurich despatch.

British Government representatives will visit Canada shortly to negotiate for the building of large bombing aircraft.

Rioting occurred in Belfast, Northern Ireland, Tuesday, on the occasion of the observance of the Battle of Boyne.

British loans to Turkey of \$80,000,000 will make that power an ally or at least neutral in the event of war, it is believed.

Almeria, offered by General Franco as a "safe" port, is much too small to accommodate the amount of shipping necessary to bring foodstuffs into Spain, states the Spanish Government, and British shipowners confirm this.

Four and a half million Austrian Jews would leave Austria if they could, said an Austrian refugee to the committee now meeting in France to consider ways and means of assisting refugees from Germany and Austria.

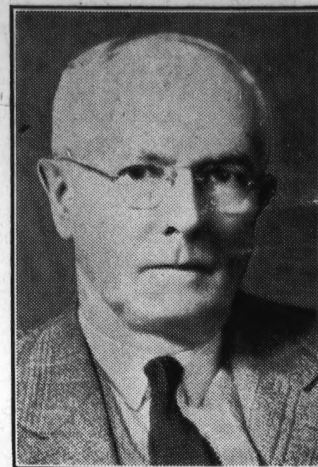
The non-intervention committee last week agreed on plans for withdrawal of foreign troops from Spain; the plan now awaits acceptance by the Spanish Government and the insurgents—and then will come the problem of carrying it out.

The Privy Council, in London, while refusing to pronounce on the Alberta press act and credit act on the grounds that they were inoperative (the act on which they depended for functioning having previously been disallowed), reserved decision on the tax act.

Bread made of only 80 per cent wheat proved so unpopular in Italy that Mussolini's decree was altered, and now only 10 per cent is required to be cornmeal or other wheat substitute. Italy will import no wheat this year, Mussolini has declared.

The British Government will not accept Franco's explanation of the sinking of British ships, said Premier Chamberlain on Wednesday, since it was positively known that bombing had been done from aeroplanes flying so low the identity of the vessels must have been known to the Fascist fliers.

Lectures Popular



Dean E. A. Howes, head of the Faculty of Agriculture of the University of Alberta, who lectures on "Other Days," over the CBC National Network, every Friday evening, at 8:45 o'clock.

HENDAYE, FRANCE, July 13th.—While Government forces have held back Fascist troops in the mountainous districts north of Valencia, the insurgents have gradually fought their way to a point within sight of Sagunto, important highway junction.

LONDON, July 13th.—Premier Chamberlain admitted in the House of Commons failure of the effort to set up an international committee to investigate foreign fighters in Spain. He said an all-British committee would probably be sent.

EDMONTON, July 13th.—The Hughes monoplane is expected to pass north of here this evening, and airport officials are all ready to receive it; however, no stop will be made here or at Winnipeg unless fuel runs short.

Sixty Jews are reported killed by an Arab attack on their colony near Nazareth, Monday, bringing the total casualties for one week to over three hundred.

Thousands of Newfoundland school children are unable to go to school owing to under-nourishment, Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary for the Colonies, announced in London. Newfoundland was deprived of self-government some years ago, her Parliamentary government being superseded by a Commission representing creditors in Britain.

Following up their notes, one last Saturday, asking foreign powers to remove their ships from the Yangtze River, between the Japanese fleet and Hankow, a new Japanese request has been made that foreign citizens be removed from Hankow and five other cities on the river. These six cities are to be subjected to aerial bombardment.

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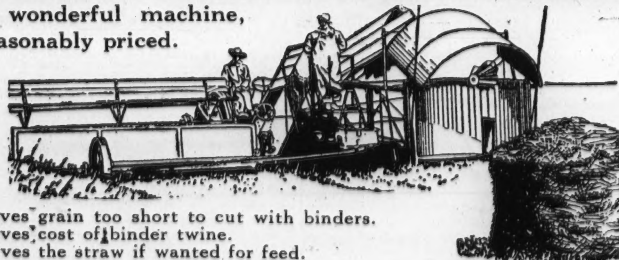
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Between Lectures at Olds

In the early morning, half an hour or more before the rising gong, sounds as of a rather large person pacing up and down the hall; a voice; a hearty "Good Morning, Sir!" in the sonorous tones heretofore associated with the radio, Sunday afternoons and world affairs. "Do you like a shower, Doctor?" "Yes, I do like a shower. Is there one?" and retreating steps.

A pleasant, alert, grey-haired woman speaking: "All my life I've longed for a college education, and this is the nearest to university life I've ever had. I do enjoy it!"

Three young people sitting on the grass, shrubs and trees behind them, the morning sun shining pleasantly. "But don't you see," argues the very young girl who looks something like Katherine Hepburn, "that that doesn't spring from an inner conviction but from something superimposed..."

Two bridge tables; one the centre of silent concentration, the other of gales of laughter and at least two of the four players talking at once. Puzzle: at which one is Dr. Stewart? Yes, you're right—at the noisy one.

A quiet corner on the grounds; a small group of women using spare moments to carry on an informal refresher course in French.

"You know, this makes me think a little of a week-end party at a country house in England," said one woman; adding hastily, as she met the question in her new friend's eyes, "as one knows them from reading novels."

A group around the piano in one sitting-room, lustily "dig, dig, dig, dig, dig"-ing; in another sitting-room at the opposite end of the building, half a dozen men engaged in very serious talk; the indolent-looking young lawyer is speaking; the passing eaves-dropper only hears "Fascism never..."

The same young lawyer (who doesn't miss anything and asks the lecturers very pertinent and incisive questions) looking very distressed when the waitress places before him a platter of roast lamb to be served to the other seven diners at his table.

The English rancher's wife who, confessing that she doesn't visit anyone within ten miles, is one of the most companionable and sociable women at the school!

Strolling on the grounds on Sunday morning, the dark-eyed young stenographer who had been noticed at the Saturday evening party, dancing with unusual grace and vivacity, exclaimed: "And to think I almost didn't come!"

"What I like best of all," confessed a farm woman, "is sitting down to meals three times a day that I haven't cooked. Good meals, too," she added.

An editor, up to bat, in a softball game, "fanned," if that's the correct term, by a former M.P. who, if he hadn't won fame by his eloquence would no doubt have won it as a Big League pitcher. Not that the newspaperman wasn't easy pickings.

Students of the glove-making course stitching industriously in odd corners and at odd times.

The extremely quiet farmer's wife who fired up at the remark that no means had yet been invented to set dishes on a table, remove and wash them.

Friendly greetings, smiling faces, ready talk, on every hand. —A.M.S.

Express Especial Thanks for Leader's "Splendid Services to Farm People of Province"

HANNA, July 9th.—Attended by some 200 persons, in spite of very bad roads due to heavy rain Friday, the Acadia U.F.A. Federal Constituency Convention, meeting here today, adopted the following: "Resolved, that this Convention go on record as expressing our sincere appreciation of the publicity given to the relief, feed and seed situation during the past season by the radio stations and press of this Province; and especially do we express our thanks and appreciation to *The Western Farm Leader* for its splendid service to the farm people of this Province."

Acadia Co-operative to Hold Convention July 25

Ordering of early fruit cars, binder twine, and other commodities will be discussed at the annual convention of Acadia U.F.A. Co-operative Association, to be held in Cereal on July 25th, commencing at 10:30 a.m. Lew Hutchinson, Wheat Pool Chairman, and Geo. E. Church, of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative, will speak.

In view of the anticipated heavy wheat crop, U.S. Government officials are drafting plans for making loans to farmers who wish to hold their wheat for possible higher prices later in the season.

That the British Government was trying to induce an American firm to build a Canadian plant for the building of aeroplanes, under guarantee to purchase 1,000 planes, is reported by the *New York Herald-Tribune*.

ADULT SCHOOL AT OLDS (Continued from page 1)

"Unless what we do in the field of education does bring the community alive," said Mr. Grierson on another occasion, when he spoke in the dining room to the company at breakfast, "we shall find in the near future a democratic decline, not only in Europe, but on this continent as well."

Varied Subjects

Though the subjects of the lectures were many and varied—from modern home-making to literature, dramatics and public speaking, social psychology, co-operation and international affairs and current history, it happened that during my week-end at Olds the two last named subjects were most to the fore. Watson Thomson and Dr. H. L. Stewart set the ball rolling in a discussion on "The clash of ideologies in the world today," and after the discussion had lasted two hours the whole school was agreed that it must go on, so another two hour session followed the next day, on the economic causes of war, with E. J. Garland and Lew Hutchinson added to the team of leaders. Of that discussion, unfortunately, I cannot at this time write more.

The school was held under the direction of the Department of Extension of the University of Alberta in co-operation with the principal and staff of the Olds School of Agriculture and the Alberta Department of Agriculture. Donald Cameron was in charge.

Support for the school, in the future, with a view to its expansion, was offered by J. R. Sweeney, the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, when he spoke to the company after one of the lectures; and declared that he was convinced of its very great value. The United Grain Growers and the Alberta Wheat Pool, who have given their support, were well represented by directors several of whom attended. E. S. McRory, Manager of the U.G.G., who was a visitor, expressed himself as satisfied that the school has been well worth while, as did the manager of the Wheat Pool, R. D. Purdy.

There was a registration of about a hundred, including many who could stay for a few days only, and an average attendance at lectures of sixty—double that of last year.

With \$651,000 a Year, Thinks \$11 a Week High

Alfred P. Sloan, chairman of General Motors, whose 1936 income tax return showed that his income for that year totalled \$651,311, recently warned his stockholders of the danger of the U.S. legislation providing for a minimum wage of 25 cents an hour and a maximum work week of 44 hours.

Shortly afterwards President Roosevelt said in a "Fireside Chat" broadcast: "Do not let any calamity-howling executive with an income of \$1,000 a day, who has been turning his employees over to the government relief rolls in order to preserve his company's reserves, tell you—using his stockholders' money to pay the postage for his personal opinion—that a wage of \$11 a week is going to have a disastrous effect on all American industry."

MAKES GOOD TIME

OMSK, SIBERIA, July 14th.—The Hughes monoplane reached here at 4:37 a.m. (3:37 p.m. Tuesday, Calgary time) on its round-the-world flight, and took off for Yakutsk, 2177 miles away. Hughes left New York Sunday evening, reaching Paris sixteen and a half hours later.



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HOLIDAY TIME

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Dear Farm Women:

And now we are in July—holiday time.

Schools and colleges have closed and some are fortunate enough to have the absent members of their families home. Others who were thankful their children were able to continue their studies into the higher grades have now to content themselves with the fact that they must pay a price for this opportunity and be glad of the job which has been their help. Those who are older begin to feel that they are happy indeed who have the smaller ones home with them from school, although there may be moments when the presence of these little darlings seems somewhat of a doubtful blessing.

The question of how the children can get the most out of the holidays is naturally in the back of most parents' minds. Of course the children probably have the feeling at times that it is quite the other way round, and the main idea of the parents is to see how much work they can get out of the children.

Sense of Social Responsibility

It is indeed fortunate that in the cities there is a growing sense of social responsibility. There are play grounds and swimming pools and recreation centres, all under trained supervision, for the use of the children of the city. Many a poor child today has the advantages of many opportunities which were the privilege of only the few in the days of a generation ago.

In many respects the country child is more fortunate regardless of the poverty of the home and its surroundings. There is no doubt there is much he lacks which the city child enjoys. Also the city child may seem to have a comparatively care-free life, with but a few odd chores, while the average country child at a surprisingly early age assumes various responsibilities in addition to being a general chore boy.

Opportunities Most Farm Children Lack

One thing the average Western farm child lacks in this country of greater spaces is the opportunity of

developing to the same degree as his city cousin his aptitude for games and all that may mean. It means the ability to learn to win and to learn to lose, to develop himself more perfectly in an all-round development physically, and most of all the training makes for co-operative effort. If a boy learns to play well with his companions, the man will work well with his fellows.

Only yesterday I came across what is no doubt well known to many of you, but it is worth repeating after all these years. "Greeting his pupils the master asked what would you learn of me? and the reply came, How shall we care for our bodies? How shall we rear our children? How shall we work together? How shall we live with our fellow men? How shall we play? For what ends shall we live? And the teacher pondered these words and sorrow was in his heart for his own learning touched not these things."

Long-Range and Short-Range Plan

Have we not all voiced that sentiment in respect to the educational systems functioning today. There is no doubt but that we are moving toward a stage in society when most of these will be considered the important part of our education. While we have that long-range plan and while we press toward it, we can at the same time have a short-range one for our children who will no longer be children when these changes have been effected.

If we remind ourselves of these needs for a really educated boy or girl, possibly we can make some little step toward helping along these lines during the summer holidays when the children at home with us get part of their education for life.

Yours sincerely,

H. ZELLA SPENCER.

At the end of last year, 9,755 persons were receiving Old Age Pensions in Alberta.

Five padlockings and 73 raids and seizures have been carried on in Quebec under the "Padlock Law," according to records of the Civil Liberties Union.

Farm Home and Garden

Fruit Custard Pies: Line pie pan with crust, and cover it with 2 tablespoons flour mixed with 1/4 cup sugar; add fruit—apples, berries, rhubarb or cherries—and pour over it one egg beaten up with 3/4 cup sugar. Add a little salt and any seasonings you wish.

Cornmeal Puffs: Scald 1 cup milk and pour it over 1/2 cup yellow cornmeal. Stir. Add 1 tablespoon butter and 1/2 teaspoon salt. When cool, beat in two whole eggs, one at a time; sift together 1/4 cup sugar, 1/4 cup white flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, and sift all together. Pour into hot buttered muffin tins and bake in a hot oven until brown.

Cream of Mushroom Soup: Wash and peel half a pound of mushrooms, and cut caps into pieces; place in saucepan with 1 small onion, sliced, and 2 cups water. Simmer 20 minutes. Drain. Melt 4 tablespoons butter, add mushrooms, and cook gently until brown, then blend in 4 tablespoons flour; add liquid strained from mushrooms and 2-1/2 cups milk, salt, and pepper; stir and cook until smooth and thickened.

Thickening for Gravies: Cover a baking sheet with a fairly thin layer of flour and cook in over until a light brown color, stirring occasionally to prevent burning. Sift, and store in airtight container. This can be used with hot or cold water, will not form lumps, will color the gravy nicely, and requires only to boil up as the flour is already cooked.

Sour Milk Ginger Bread: Mix 2 scant teaspoons soda with 1 cup sour milk and 1 cup molasses. Sift 2-1/3 cups flour with 2 teaspoons ginger and 1/2 teaspoon salt, and combine the two mixtures; add 4 tablespoons melted butter or other shortening and beat. Bake in a moderate oven about 25 minutes.

Canning Raspberries: Two methods are recommended by the Federal Department of Agriculture. One is to pick over and wash the berries and pack in sterilized jars as closely as possible without crushing. Fill jars to overflowing with syrup made of 1 cup sugar to 2 cups water. Sterilize for 16 minutes. The second method is described as "raw canning," by which the berries retain their natural shape, color and flavor without actual cooking. Pack the berries in hot sterilized jars, fill the jars with boiling syrup (4 cup sugar to 2 of water) and seal tightly. Place jars in wash tub or other large vessel, and fill it with enough boiling water to reach the tops

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I wish there were some way of planning.

For growers out there in B.C. To do all my picking and canning— It's all extra duty to me.

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Because of their cheapness no doubt!

And labor is too concentrated— Why not spread it out?

Is home-made bread more appetizing Than bakers'? I really don't know!

But bread always seems to be rising Whenever I've somewhere to go.

Regarding home-made suits and dresses,

I'm sure you will mostly agree, Folks know without any three guesses They're not from Faree!

Just why are these jobs thrust upon us

While work people vainly request? Should Progress ere now have withdrawn us

From markets we only congest? To forward my views forth I'd sally

But history tends to repeat— The slave who was chained to the galley

Accepted defeat!

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

Six girls and six boys are being sent to the CCYM-Junior U.F.A. camp at Sylvan Lake by Okotoks U.F.W.A., writes Miss Nora Mundell, secretary.

Mrs. F. R. Lutman and Mrs. R. Norem, of Berwyn district, were joint hostesses at an afternoon social gathering when Mrs. Marie Malloy, U.F.W.A. Provincial President, was guest of honor. Mrs. Harry Johnston and Mrs. Norem poured tea, and Mrs. W. Heath, Miss Inez Norem and Miss Marie Heathman assisted in serving. Guests from a distance included Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. S. Fairburn from Fairview and Mrs. Bernstein and Mrs. Speakman from Bluesky.

of the jars. Place a blanket over and leave until cold. If you are using screwtop jars, tighten them occasionally as the water cools. Invert jars to test for leaks.

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Alberta Youth Congress Executive Confers to Consider Future Plans

Members Also Attend Alberta School
of Community Life at Olds

Three main purposes occupied the attention of the directors of Youth Congress work in Alberta for the immediate future, at a meeting in Olds on July 11th:

(1) Carrying out through Alberta affiliates the decisions and program of the National Congress held in Toronto in May.

(2) Arranging for delegates from Alberta to the Second World Youth Congress to be held at Vassar College, Aug. 15th-24th, 1938.

(3) Plans for Alberta's Second Annual Congress to be held November 11th, 12th, 13th, at Edmonton.

Miss Margaret Archibald, president, occupied the chair. Six members were in attendance from Edmonton, ten from Calgary and south. Ronald Newsom, Olds, Publicity Chairman for the Congress, acted as host on this occasion.

In the afternoon the members attended the lectures given at the School of Community Life now in session at Olds.

Reports of the National Congress held in Toronto in May may be obtained by writing the secretary, G. A. Gillander, 130B-9th Ave. West, Calgary.

Wetaskiwin Conference

Mrs. Ray Carter, U.F.W.A. Director, who convened the annual summer conference for Wetaskiwin constituency, was also its hostess. About sixty women gathered on the lawn which, on a perfect summer afternoon, made a most attractive setting.

The speakers—Mrs. Marie Malloy, Miss Margaret Archibald, Dr. McGugan, Mrs. Winifred Ross, Mrs. R. R. McBride and Rev. G. Young—provided a great deal of most interesting information and inspired the women to continue the fight of the organization, as one speaker put it, "against war, disease, ignorance and poverty." Music and a delicious lunch completed the afternoon.

Conference at Innisfail

Mrs. B. C. Learned, director, was in charge of the summer U.F.W.A. conference for the northern part of Red Deer constituency, with Mrs. Ironsides program convener and Mrs. Ronald Pye secretary-treasurer and Mrs. H. D. MacKay press secretary. The conference was held on July 7th, in the Parish Hall, Innisfail. Reports of the year's activities given by secretaries of Horn Hill, Burnt Lake, Ridgewood, Rainy Creek, Rose Leaf and Olds Locals, showed a wide range of work.

The guest speakers for the afternoon were Donald Cameron, Mrs. Winifred Ross and Miss Margaret Archibald. Mr. Cameron spoke on adult education. Miss Archibald asked support for the Junior organization. Mrs. Ross urged the Locals to follow a definite line of study.

During the afternoon dances by Mrs. Percy and Miss Ruth Watt of Innisfail, solos by Miss Nancy Stevenette of Innisfail, and community singing with Mrs. Stasel at the piano, were enjoyed.

Resolutions Adopted

Resolutions were passed opposing the production tax, suggesting that matters of policy at Annual Conventions be decided and voted upon in joint sessions, urging that opportunity be given to vote of larger school units, and that boards for such units should be selected at conventions.

Miss Jean Gordon, of the Olds Agricultural School, judged the handicraft entries. Mrs. Dane took four awards, Mrs. Frank Nelson two, Mrs. Creelman two, Mrs. R. Pye two, Miss Marie Gutterud two, Mrs. Dodd two, Mrs. Neil Leitch, Mrs. S. C. Rear and Mrs. J. E. C. Oldford each one.

U.F.A. JUNIOR



YOUNG PEOPLE WILL CONVERGE ON SYLVAN LAKE, JULY 30th

C.C.Y.M.-U.F.A. Junior Camp Provides Opportunities for
Pleasant Holiday Combined with Study

From many rural and urban points in Alberta, young people will converge at the end of this month to the C.C.Y.M.-Junior U.F.A. camp at Sylvan lake where from July 30th to August 6th inclusive they will be able to enjoy a holiday combining a multitude of interests—discussions on many subjects alternating with games and sports.

Cheap and Pleasant Holiday

The outline of the activities provided for, as given by Elvins Y. Spencer, M.Sc., President of the C.C.Y.M. of Alberta, in the "Camp Call" which has been circulated among all groups of the combined movement throughout the Province, is a most attractive one. That the young people have organized the camp themselves, and that they have entered into the pre-

parations with energy and enthusiasm, would appear to be guarantees of the success of this recreational and educational venture.

The cost is remarkably low—\$6.00 for the whole period, of course plus transportation, and every person who attends should take a ground sheet, bedding, toilet articles, bathing suit, notebook, pencil, flashlight, while if he or she has a camera or a musical instrument it will be worth while to take these also.

Can Pay in Farm Produce

Of the \$6 total cost, \$1 is the registration fee. In order to reduce the cost for rural people attending, all or part of the \$5 remaining can be paid in produce. Those who want to take advantage of this arrangement are requested to write stating the quantity

and preference of the produce they can bring—eggs, potatoes, carrots, parsnips, lard, wholewheat flour, etc., so that the camp committee can apportion quantities.

As the C.C.Y.M. clubs convention is scheduled for Sunday, July 31st, and the joint Junior U.F.A.-C.C.Y.M. convention for Monday, August 1st, those who cannot come for the whole week may stay at the rate of \$1 per day.

To Lead Discussions

In the mornings Rev. T. C. Douglas, M.P., will lead discussions, and then smaller groups will discuss such varied topics as sports, economics, co-operation, etc. In the afternoons there will be instruction in dramatics, public speaking, photography, swimming, life-saving, and it is expected that Dr. Kelloway's pictures of his European tour will be made available, with L. W. Kunelius, who accompanied Dr. Kelloway last year, to elaborate on them and give a running commentary.

Applications for registration forms should be made at once either to the U.F.A. Central Office, Renfrew Building, Calgary or to Bill Thornton, 11924-65th St., Edmonton. When filled in the forms should be sent with the \$1 fee to Mr. Thornton.

"Whether you belong to a group or not," reads Mr. Spencer's invitation, which is extended through this article to readers of *The Western Farm Leader*, "get a carload of your friends together and plan to be at the Sylvan Lake camp for a profitable and enjoyable week."



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The butter market has been extremely inactive, due principally to the weaker British market which is now down to 120 shillings. Increased Canadian production has, of course, been an influencing factor in reducing the price level, and the feeling still exists that some exporting will have to be done. Reports show the increase in surplus over last year to be two million pounds. Montreal markets are unchanged at 25c, Winnipeg 23-1/4, and Vancouver 25. The local market is slightly higher, the print price being 26c, and butter fat 22c for special grade. City milk is \$2.35 per cwt. Calgary and \$2.23 Edmonton for 3.6 butterfat.

CONTEST WINNERS

Six contestants took part in the Junior public-speaking contest at the Acadia Federal U.F.A. Convention, winners being Everett R. Moore, Delia, silver medal; John Sutherland, Hanna, bronze medal. Other contestants, whose speeches also proved most interesting, were Ruth Hurshfield, Hanna; Anna Sutherland, Hanna; Arthur Cochrane, Federal; Ralph Elliott, Federal.

Livestock Markets Review

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, July 12th.—The cattle market has been moderately active with prices steady. Good butcher steers are \$5 to \$6, common to medium \$3 to \$4.50; good heifers \$5 to \$5.50; good cows \$3.50 to \$4; good bulls \$3 to \$3.25. Good to choice veal calves sold at \$5 to \$6.50, common to medium \$3.50 to \$4.50. Good stocker steers are \$3.50 to \$4.25; good stocker cows and heifers \$2.50 to \$3.50. The hog market closed firmer with selects \$11.90, bacon \$11.40, butchers \$10.90 off trucks. Lambs were steady to stronger with good handyweights selling at \$7 to \$7.75; fat ewes and yearlings \$3 to \$5.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, July 12th.—There has been a fair amount of activity on the cattle market and prices on the whole have remained firm. Good butcher steers are \$5.50 to \$6, common to medium \$3.50 to \$5; good butcher heifers \$5 to \$5.50; good cows \$3.50 to \$3.75, common to medium \$2.50 to \$3.25; canners and cutters \$1.75 to \$2.25; bulls \$2.25 to \$3. Better kinds of stocker steers are going at \$3.50 to \$4, other kinds from \$3.25 down. Good to choice calves are \$5.50 to \$6, others from \$5 down. The hog market is showing a firmer tone with selects \$11.85, bacon \$11.35 and butchers \$10.85 off trucks. Lambs are quoted from \$7 down; yearlings \$3.50 down and ewes \$2.50 down.

Sydney May Joins Staff of New Business School

Readers who have for years enjoyed the "Mustard and Cress" column, first in *The United Farmer* and then in *The Western Farm Leader*, may be interested to hear that Sydney May, the well known columnist, has joined the staff of Calgary's new business training centre, the Henderson Secretarial School, at 509 Eighth Avenue West, Calgary, where he will take care of the promotional work.

We are pleased to announce that in spite of his new affiliation Mr. May will continue to delight our readers with his humorous and snappy column. He assures us that he will be glad to welcome any of his young readers at the School and to show them over the newly renovated building, whenever they are in the city.

ACADIA FEDERAL OFFICERS

Officers of the Acadia U.F.A. Federal Constituency were elected at the recent convention as follows: President, James Cameron, Wastina; vice-president Mrs. Eleanor Price, Stettler; directors, Division 1, S. R. Hooper, Rowley; Mrs. Mary Banner, Endiang; 2, George Sturmer, Consort, Mrs. O. Michaels, Excel; 3, Lorne Proudfoot, Chinook, Mrs. H. O. Hille, Cereal; 4, George Hanson, Carolside, Mrs. J. M. Pearce, Carolside; secretary J. K. Sutherland; Junior director George Thring, Consort.

The largest crude oil flow on record is reported by the Frontier well, in Turner Valley, this week, with 7,617 barrels in 24 hours.

World Wheat Situation

Dominated by widespread and extremely beneficial rains over the entire Canadian prairie wheat belt, Winnipeg led other world markets to lower levels last week. With importing countries content to remain on the sidelines and other support, apart from occasional flurries, at low ebb, prices responded rather easily to bearish news. Winnipeg prices have strengthened somewhat in the early part of this week.

With the exception of Northern Alberta, Northern Saskatchewan and Southern Manitoba, where moisture has been scant, crop conditions in the prairie provinces are generally good. Southeastern Saskatchewan reports the rapid spread of rust on the varieties of wheat which are not rust-resistant. Grasshoppers are also doing some damage.

United States crop news states that crop conditions are fair in the spring wheat states, but grasshoppers are causing some damage and there is possibility of damage from rust if conditions are propitious. Threshing returns in the winter wheat area show some sections with lower yields than expected and others with larger. The total wheat crop is expected to be well over 900 million bushels. It would appear that farmers are holding up deliveries until announcement of the government loan policy. Secretary of Agriculture, Henry Wallace, has stated tentatively that this price will likely be 60c a bushel.

The newly sown wheat in the Argentine is making excellent progress and moisture conditions are very good. Australian crop conditions are satisfactory at the present, but, due to lack of subsoil moisture, rains will be needed shortly to avoid crop deterioration.

Estimate for Europe

Broomhall's provisional estimate places the European wheat crop this year, excluding Russia at 1,611,200,000 bushels, compared with 1,543,200,000 last year, an increase of 68 million, or about 4-1/2 per cent. European exporting countries are expected to harvest 492 million compared with 450,400,000, an increase of about 41,600,000, while importing countries' output is indicated to be 1,119,200,000 against 1,092,800,000, a gain of 26,400,000. These figures are based on harvest returns in Southern Europe and present prospects in countries which harvest later in the year, and consequently are subject to revision when complete returns are available.

Weather conditions continue favorable for wheat crops over a considerable portion of Europe and yields in some countries are now expected to exceed earlier expectations. The winter wheat crop in Rumania is now officially estimated at 181,600,000 bushels, compared with 131,200,000 bushels last year. This is much larger than previous estimates. A recent commercial estimate of the French wheat crop places it at 332 million bushels, compared with the official estimate of 324 million and last year's crop of 254 million. Good crops are expected in the Balkan countries. Greece, Portugal and Italy are finding harvesting returns better than were earlier estimated.

Official Russian reports admit that both winter and spring wheat conditions in the Volga region, where drought is continuing, are unsatisfactory. The Ukraine, however, is likely to have a good crop, and large early shipments are probable. India is shipping wheat steadily but is not pressing sales, and if world prices continue to decline this country's offers may become quite small.

EDMONTON EXHIBITION SPECIAL

Included in the Edmonton Exhibition prize list for Belgian horses is a very fine special—an album of photographs of outstanding Belgians which have won prizes at 1937 fairs in Belgium, donated by the Belgium Government. It will go to the owner of the best mare exhibited in this class at the coming Exhibition in Edmonton.

Veterinary Questions and Answers

Questions on the care of animals in illness will be answered in this column from issue to issue by a graduate veterinarian with 25 years' experience in practice in Alberta. Every paid-up subscriber to *The Western Farm Leader* is entitled to have a question answered. The subscription is One Dollar per year.

Warts on Neck

A.J., Bowden.—Calf has warts on neck and shoulders. What can I do to get rid of them?

Answer.—Apply castor oil once daily.

Cattle Have Coccidiosis

Trochu. I am having a lot of trouble with my cattle in feed lot; have lost four or five head. They go off their feed and start with a diarrhoea. After a day or two they pass blood until it looks as if nothing but blood comes away. They gradually get weaker until they die. Is there a vaccine I could use?

Answer. This is coccidiosis. There is no vaccine for this condition. See your veterinarian. He will advise you as to treatment.

Colt Has Swelling

B.L.J., Lloydminster.—Colt castrated two years ago has quite a large swelling and swings one hind leg. Kindly advise.

Answer.—This is scherrous cord. See your Veterinarian; he will operate.

Hail over the week-end damaged crops at Monarch, and in the Macleod and Medicine Hat districts, and elsewhere.

ACADIA CONVENTION

(Continued from page 1)

the greater cost of operating battery as compared with other radio sets by lower license fees for the former.

It was asked that rural youth be given the same opportunities as urban youth in future operation of Youth Training scheme.

Opposition to government by commissions was expressed.

John Vallance, Regina, supervisor of water development under the P.P.R.A., outlining the history of the scheme, said that because of differences of opinion between the Federal and Provincial Governments in regard to community pastures in Alberta, no Alberta farmers would be put on the new Rolling Hills development of the Eastern Irrigation division. Instead, farmers from Saskatchewan were being moved in.

Charlie Mills of Fleet spoke on the school of community life at Olds. George Thring of Coronation, Junior director, and Norman Greenway, Hanna, whose attendance at the Junior Conference was sponsored by the U.G.G., gave brief addresses.

FROM THE BUSH COUNTRY

"Enclosed please find \$1 for a year's subscription to your paper and the set of maps. I have had quite a time to get this precious money but as I have no geography or maps I am very anxious to obtain the maps and managed somehow, even if I have to go bare-footed and stockingless in the summer. Most of us around here are getting poorer all the time in spite of hard work and sacrifice. I should send a postal note, but it would mean more delay, and I want paper and maps as soon as possible."—Mrs. O. J.

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REFORM REJECTED

Herridge Suffers Defeat in Effort to Introduce New Program to Vitalize Party

By M. McDougall

(Special to The Western Farm Leader)
OTTAWA, July 13th.—The focal point of political interest in Canada is the figure of Hon. R. J. Manion, the new leader of the National Conservative party.

By a vote on the second ballot of 830 to 648, Dr. Manion came out on top of his most dangerous opponent, W. A. MacPherson of Saskatchewan. It wasn't by any means a "walk over," the Western candidate offering a serious challenge for the leadership. The solid vote of Quebec gave Dr. Manion his crown.

Attractive Personality

"Your leader but not your commander," was the way he made his bow to the convention after the deciding ballot was announced, and irrespective of politics there is no question all Canada extends good will to him. Dr. Manion has an exceedingly attractive personality; he has a capacity for making friends. He is a veteran of the great war with an M.C. gained in the fight at Vimy to his credit; he has written two very readable volumes, "A Surgeon in Arms" and "Life Is an Adventure"; he had a large practise in surgery at Fort William, Ont., before political life forced him to divorce his early love, the practise of medicine; he held three Cabinet posts at Ottawa at periods between 1921 and 1935, the portfolio of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, the Post Office, and Railways and Canals. He gained credit in his administration of these departments. He led one of Canada's delegations to the League of Nations. As a party leader, naturally, he has still to be tried out by the ordeals of political life, but by the enthusiasm which his election evoked at the convention, his followers clearly entertain great hopes of his success.

Platform and Agriculture

The platform adopted by the party, as its general line of approach to Canada's problems included the following resolution in relation to agriculture: (1) to encourage the development of agriculture by extending to the producer every assistance in solving the problems of production, distribution and marketing; (2) to utilize all available means of scientific investigation, experimentation and demonstration to assist the farmer for the efficient and economic production; (3) to preserve the home market for the Canadian farmer by protection and early marketing and every other means possible; (4) to formulate a policy for the distribution, regulation and marketing of livestock and other farm products which will tend to stabilize prices; (5) to preserve the benefit already attained by the Empire trade agreements; (6) to use every effort to continue and expand these preferences; (7) to charge all agencies overseas with the responsibility of furthering the distribution and marketing of Canadian agricultural products; (8) to adhere to the policy of protecting Canadian fruit, vegetables and other perishable products for the purpose of preserving the Canadian market for the Canadian producer during the period of his production; (9) to restore and put into full force the practical operation of the Canadian Wheat Board Act of 1935.

Against Unification

In regard to the vexed question of unification of the railways which

Support for Leader Pledged, Wetaskiwin Farmers' Convention

Convention Urged Disallowance Padlock Act; Opposed Production Tax—Priestley Speaks

Endorsing the work carried on by the Western Farm Leader, and pledging support in increasing its circulation, a resolution was passed at the recent U.F.A. convention in Wetaskiwin constituency. Other resolutions expressed opposition to the proposed production tax, and urged disallowance of the Quebec Padlock Law.

An attendance of about 125 at the afternoon session, and nearly twice as many in the evening, good weather, the fine spirit displayed in the debates and close attention to the addresses, combined to make the convention a great success. It was held in the Empress Theatre, Ponoka, with Roy C. Marler, president, in the chair, and Mrs. Ray Carter as secretary.

Keen interest was evinced in the address by Norman F. Priestley, on "What the Proposed Production Tax Means to Alberta," and many questions relative to the tax were asked and answered by Mr. Priestley. Miss Margaret Archibald also spoke during the afternoon meeting.

The evening program included a brilliant address by Chester Ronning, of Camrose, who covered the world situation in respect to democracy and brought the subject home to Canadians and Albertans; and a play, "Cappy Ricks," by the North Edmonton Dramatic Club, with J. M. Bentley in the title role.

has been under investigation in the Senate, the convention adopted a resolution against unification, amalgamation or any other form of monopoly in transportation.

The co-operative movement was to be fostered and assisted. The support and assistance given the coal industry was to be continued with "such additional measures as will be adequate to the needs of the coal industry, as a great national asset and of the workers engaged therein." Among the great primary industries of the country which it would be the work of the Conservative party to foster and support, Dr. Manion in his address at the close of the convention specifically mentioned the oil industry of Alberta.

The first work of the leaders of the Conservative party, Dr. Manion stated, would be to get the Federal organization throughout the country into more efficient shape.

Those who attended the convention and who have dispersed to their homes, will recall in days to come the two sharp interludes in the otherwise harmonious sittings of the convention, when two amendments to the platform resolutions were introduced. One of these, supported by the majority of the delegates from Quebec and by some others, would have a referendum taken in the country before Canadians leave Canada on war service. As in the Winnipeg convention, this amendment was defeated. The resolution which was adopted stated that the defence of Canada could best be promoted by consultation and co-operation with all members of the British Commonwealth.

Turn Down Reform Amendment

The other moment of temporary discord came when Hon. W. D. Herridge urged a monetary and economic reform amendment to the financial resolution of the convention. The task of democratic government, he stated, was to raise the purchasing power of the people to the potential level of productive capacity and only in that way could economic security be achieved. This meant a measure of government planning and control of the economic and monetary systems,

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In this issue we are sort of making our bow to you, the readers of *The Western Farm Leader*, many of whom we know are friends of ours of long standing. As time goes on we hope that we can count more and more of you on our friendship list. We do not hesitate to admit that we prize more highly than anything else, the many evidences of kindly interest and friendly co-operation which we receive from time to time from the thousands of listeners we attempt to entertain and serve through some 16 hours each day.

In the next issue our column will carry a new heading, designed to display the new slogan which was written for us by one of our listeners. The slogan contest recently over CJ CJ, produced hundreds of slogans sent in by our listeners and the task of selecting the winner is proving no light one. However, before the next issue the selection will have been made and the winners of the prizes announced.

By the time you read this the 1938 Calgary Exhibition and Stampede will have almost passed into history. CJ CJ attempted to broadcast descriptions of such events of this very colorful week as lend themselves to broadcasting, on a larger scale than ever. CJ CJ staff and microphones were engaged in bringing to listeners some of the excitement and color of the Stampede for more than 14 hours during the week.

Some of the announcers who rather fancy themselves in silk shirts and 10 gallon hats will be quite sorry that the week is over and that they have to settle down to the more prosaic duties of regular routine. One of the boys engaged in describing the fireworks displays, is reported to have said that he wishes the fireworks manufacturers had a few more colors in their repertoire. His efforts to avoid too frequent repetition of red, green and yellow really taxed his ingenuity.

Holidays and a prospective matrimonial adventure to be taken by one of the members of the staff, provide the main source of conversation around CJ CJ these days. Rumor has it that the Pacific Coast has been chosen as the location of the honeymoon. As regards the wedding itself, more information will be released before long.

Trophy for Buttermakers

Open to all Canadian butter-makers west of the Great Lakes, a "Windsor" Salt Special Trophy is offered for the best 14-lb. box of August butter, made and shipped prior to September 1st, 1938. The trophy is a large sterling silver cup, mounted on a black base, and each year the winner's name is inscribed on a silver shield and attached to the base. In addition, cash prizes of \$15, \$12.50, \$10, \$7.50 and \$5 will be awarded, and the first three winners will receive framed engraved certificates. Shipment is to be made to the Alberta Dairywomen's Association, Merchant's Cold Storage Company, Calgary. The contest is sponsored by the Salt Division of Canadian Industries, Limited, and butter for entry must be salted with "Windsor Snowflake" dairy salt.

and the support of all vital elements in an efficient economic system such as collective bargaining, co-operative buying and selling, minimum prices, minimum wages, control of monopolies, the regulation of banking and mortgage rates. Mr. Herridge's amendment also suffered defeat.

High lights of the convention were the presentation of a portrait of himself to Mr. Bennett by his friends and the able and stirring address of the retiring leader to the people gathered in convention and to all Canadians.

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PHILADELPHIA, June 29th. — How the U.S. Government lost some \$400,000 revenue by clever juggling with stocks to evade income tax payments was revealed in Federal court here recently. John E. Zimmerman, utility magnate and supporter of the "Liberty League," said that in 1929 he sold his wife big holdings of stocks to reduce his income taxes; and the next year his wife sold them back to him, to cut down her income taxes.

Although efforts have been made for the past 400 years to bring about a more efficient system of farm holdings, the practice of "strip farming" is still general in some parts of Germany, especially in the west and south. New legislation empowers the Ministry of Agriculture to order consolidation.

The Spanish Ambassador to the U.S. who visited the city of Boston some months ago was allowed to come and go with practically no notice from the authorities; but when the Italian ambassador visited the same city this spring, he was tendered a police escort, several receptions, lavish press notices, and a banquet where he was accorded an ovation when he gave the Fascist salute.

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By SYDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks!

Calgary has had a milk probe to try and bring about lower prices. Well, wouldn't a properly planned delivery system do that without penalizing the producers?

Anyhow there can't be contented cows without contented farmers and cutting into their revenue isn't the way to get either.

We hear that at the local employment office there was a job offered to wit, "elderly man to clean up bakery—wages \$1 a week with board and room. This column believes that the powers that be at Edmonton should put a stop to this kind of thing and not advertise it.

SEASONS

O'er the bright fields of summer,
The gleaming swallows dart;
Warm sunshine soft enfolds me
But winter's in my heart.

Manchester N.H.

Marie W. Manley.

We see by the papers that the former Barbara Hutton proposes to divorce her second husband. So even a poor little rich girl can't get a permanent waive, eh!

However, she has probably come to the conclusion that an American heiress can't Count her blessing in Danish.

KNOTTY LOSES OUT

Knotty Frankie tells us he had hard luck last week. Yep, he went to see one of those "strip tease" shows and then discovered he'd left his glasses at home and couldn't see a thing.

"Spanish war office declares that the big gun which bombed Spanish headquarters in New York has been captured." Gosh! a gun like that could even demolish all our castles in Spain.

KISSING IS FINE

London Guy has been ordered to pay \$10 for twice kissing a woman when taking her out. And now L'il Goldilocks is trying to figure out how much the Bad Egg of Crow's Nest owes after their recent trip to Sylvan Lake.

Postcard from Cynical Gus says that some men turn around to get another eyeful, others laugh the first time.

"Hitler Plans Program of Undiluted Nazism"—headline in a Toronto paper. And we'll bet it'll be just as Nazi as the other.

Wonder why that Toronto Alderman suggested that Herr Hitler was the only thing he'd put in the Beaver Pond at Toronto? Wasn't the water dirty enough already?

PREMONITION

The wind howls round the corners

A January dirge.

Truly can this be April?

Can this warm, waking urge

Of summer-pregnant greenness

Give birth to reason for

Such moaning obligato,

Returning to my door?

Or does this plaintive envoy—

Lingering misery—

Only arouse the phantom

Of winter facing me.

—Richard Bryan
in the Vermonter.

"Girl Finally Drowns"—headline in a Winnipeg journal. At that we're not surprised it was the last thing she did.

According to Dr. Henri Pieron, noted European scientist "Pin pricks travel slowly to the brain." He'll probably change his opinion if he ever sits on a tack.

We see that a poor orange crop is anticipated in Japan this year. Ah, well they'll probably be kept busy picking lemons in China.

DICTOGRAPHED IN BERLIN

First Citizen: I hear that the experts describe the Zeppelin disaster as an "act of God."

Second Citizen: Is that so? Then God had better watch out. Hitler will never stand for any interference with Germany's aerial progress.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH?

A forgotten man is one who can't be used.

Paradoxical as it may sound, the depression has shown that the less work a man has to do the more time he has to keep others from working.

CHIMERA

(Requested by N.L.F.
Vancouver)

The oaken bucket is in the well
And Paul Revere rides by;
Casey strikes out; the curfew bell

Is mute; the goose hangs high.
The old mare ain't what she
used to be;

Sailor, why do you roam?

Bacon scribbles a parody:

Home Sweet Home.

Dangerous Dan of the Yukon

Trail

Still flirts with Lady Lou;

Sheridan rides the Irish Mail,

The smoke flies up the flue.

Father, dear father, come home

with me—

Freedom at any price;

Shakespeare's writing a parody:

Three Blind Mice.

—Heiney.

OUCH! OUCH!! OUCH!!!

Over there, in dear old smoky London, Robert Donat, noted film artist, is publishing his revelations of Hollywood. Well, here's hoping they Donat reveal too much.

A London doctor says that good singers never drink. Hoity, toity doc, haven't you ever heard "Sweet Adeline?"

Lordy, Lordy, and all the colors got loose.

**What's Doing ?
at CFAC**

The famous musical Vass Family, network favorites for the past seven years, bring to CFAC an informal and home-like sort of entertainment when they are heard during the new series of programs, "Light Up and Listen Club," which commenced July 11th. The Vass Family is noted for hilarity and good-natured repartee. Their song repertoire ranges from negro spiritual to the latest ditties from Tin Pan Alley. Although there are seven members of the Vass Family, five combine for the radio act and will appear at the "Light Up and Listen Club," heard over CFAC Monday through Friday at 8:15 p.m.

When anyone calls, "Jack!" at CFAC, he is usually besieged by a foursome. There are four on the staff of CFAC who answer to that name, and there is a constant turmoil in attempting to get the right one. The members of CFAC with the foregoing "handle" are: Jack Dennett and Jack Stewart, of the announcing staff; Jack Gordon of the technical department and Jack Cousins of the commercial department. The present state of affairs seems to call for numbers instead of names. P.S. Besides the "jacks" at CFAC, there are also some "queens" in the continuity office!

A comparatively quiet period for radio reception and other communication during the next four or five years is the prediction of Dr. Harlan Stetson, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Dr. Harlan, who made the forecast at a recent meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Ottawa, declared the maximum intensity of activity on the sun was reached in July, 1937. Now that the number of "sunspots" is on the decline radio reception and all other forms of electrical communication may be expected to improve.

"Royal Sturgeon," the beguiling fish that caused excitement in Buckingham Palace Garden, according to the great English monologist, Stanley Holloway, will be honored during the 95th presentation of the CBC National Network feature, "Let's All Go To the Music Hall," Saturday, July 16th, 7:30 to 8:00 p.m. over CFAC, when George Patton presents this highly comic tale in rhyme. George Young will produce the program as usual, and the regular cast will give their impressions of the various London music hall artists.

"David of the White Rock," considered one of the finest of Old Welsh Folk Songs, will introduce the CBC singers to an international radio audience on Sunday, July 17th, 1:30 to 2:00 over CFAC. The program is being carried by the Columbia Broadcasting System in the United States as well as the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. Other well-known folk songs from the Old Land are featured in the half-hour presentation.

Edward Arnold is now guest master of ceremonies of the Chase and Sanborne Hour, continuing in that capacity until the return of Don Ameche from his vacation on August 21st. Since Don Ameche is the only regular member of the staff on vacation, others will be heard as usual; Edgar Bergen and the irrepressible Charlie McCarthy, the Stroud Twins, John Carter and Dorothy Lamour in songs, and Robert Armbruster's Orchestra.

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SPORT

At time of writing the New York Giants and the Cleveland Indians are leading their leagues by a couple of games. Pittsburgh Pirates are pressing strongly in the National and the world's champions, New York Yankees, are second-fiddling in the American loop. Yankee cast-offs, Johnny Allen of Cleveland and Ben Chapman of the Boston Red Sox have on occasion been poison to their former mates. Allen's pitching has a lot to do with Cleveland's lead on the Yanks and Earl Averill's powerful hitting is a stellar feature.

New York clings to the top rung in the National by sheer persistence and Mel Ott's big bat. Cincinnati holds the third spot on the classy pitching of "double-no-hit" Vander Meer and the batting of Lombardi and Berger. The Dizzy Dean-less Chi Cubs are a not-so-hot fourth. Incidentally Diz says that he is now "ready to go" and boss Wrigley claims that Dean "will be a better pitcher with a sore arm than half the major league pitchers who have good ones."

Despite mid-summer temperatures, hockey in Alberta is a favorite topic these days. Herbie Gruhn, ace right-winger of the St. Boniface Junior Seals has arrived in Calgary to sign up with the Seniors, and Cam Burke and "Squee" Allen, formerly of the North Battleford Beavers are reported to be joining the Calgary boys instead of going to Turner Valley as previously announced.

Dame Rumour hath it that Tiny Thompson, Calgary lad, who has been ace puck-stopper these many years for Boston Bruins, will be in goal next season for the Toronto Maple Leafs. Red Horner as defence for Boston is said to be the other half of the deal.

Vancouver Daily Pays High Tribute to Role of British Columbia M.L.A.

Member Who Counsellor Moderation When Police Evicted Sit-Down Strikers Wins Praise

High appreciation of the role played by a member of the British Columbia Legislature on the occasion of the forcible ejection by the R.C.M.P. of the sit-down strikers in Vancouver public buildings, was paid by the *Vancouver Province*, daily newspaper, in an editorial on this affair. The R.C.M.P. upon instructions from Ottawa, carried out the eviction with the aid of tear-gas bombs thrown among the strikers. The member referred to, Harold Winch, is one of the C.C.F. group in the Assembly at Victoria.

Under the heading, "Well Done, Mr. Winch," the *Province* states:

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"Of all the men who bore a part in Sunday's unhappy affair in Vancouver, none is entitled to higher praise than Harold Winch. This active young member of the Legislature was everywhere, and if moderate counsel prevailed in the end, the credit is largely his.

"He was responsible for persuading the men at the Art Gallery to depart without assaulting the police who evicted them and without destroying property in the neighborhood. He even persuaded some of the more impatient police to 'take it easy.'"

"Before the police station, when the mob grew ugly and threatening, he again put in his word for common sense. And still again, at midnight, he was at Granville and Hastings, with the excited crowd which saw the delegates of the unemployed off to Victoria. "Vancouver may thank Mr. Winch for his arduous Sunday's work, and the unemployed may thank him, too, for all he did was in their interests as well as in the interests of law and order."

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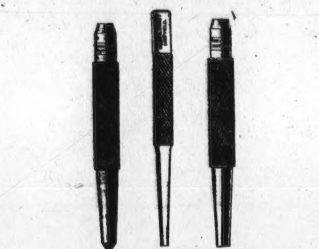
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ALBERTA SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY LIFE HAS COME TO STAY

With average attendance doubled as compared with last year, the Alberta School of Community Life, which closed at the Olds School of Agriculture on Wednesday, seems likely to extend its spheres of activity widely in the future. In the picture above, taken on one of the lawns, students and staff are assembled. Donald Cameron, M.Sc., Acting Director of the Extension Department of the University of Alberta, who was in charge of the school, is seen kneeling at the left. Standing (extreme left) is James Murray, Principal of the Olds School of Agriculture. Next to him is R. D. Purdy, Manager of the Alberta Wheat Pool. Deputy Minister of Agriculture Sweeney and several Directors of the United Grain Growers, Limited, and of the Wheat Pool, visited the school. Dr. J. L. Stewart, Halifax, stands sixth from the left.



Loyalist Soldiers Turn Farmers



During a lull in the fighting which is raging in Spain, troops of the republican government army made good use of their time by harvesting wheat on one of the abandoned farms behind the front lines near Barcelona. The civilians from all walks

of life who are stubbornly fighting to preserve their liberties against the rebels and invading troops and machines of war sent by Mussolini and Hitler, are in the truest sense of the word "citizen-soldiers."

New and Old Leaders



Amidst the Tumult and the Shouting at Ottawa



At the Ottawa Conservative Convention last week, the party changed its name from "Liberal-Conservative" to "National Conservative," rejected reform proposals of Hon. W. D. Herridge, and adopted a platform which Mr. Herridge described as "a lot of junk." It elected as its leader Hon. Dr. R. J. Manion,

from Quebec, over M. A. McPherson, Regina, on the second ballot. Possessed of a genial personality, Dr. Manion is a thick-and-thin party man, with old-fashioned ideas of party policy, and unlikely, it is believed, to do anything to alienate the great vested interests. The picture above was taken during one of the sessions.



Right Hon. R. B. Bennett (upper picture) retiring leader of the Conservative party, is reported to have described the outcome of the Conservative Convention as a victory for reaction. In the lower picture Dr. Manion, new Conservative leader, is seen as he addressed the Convention through the loud speaker before his election.